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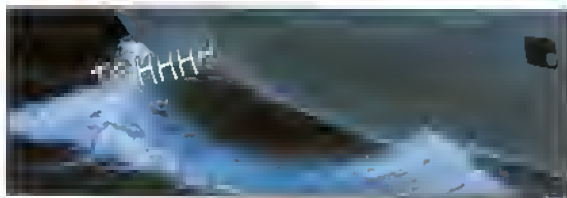
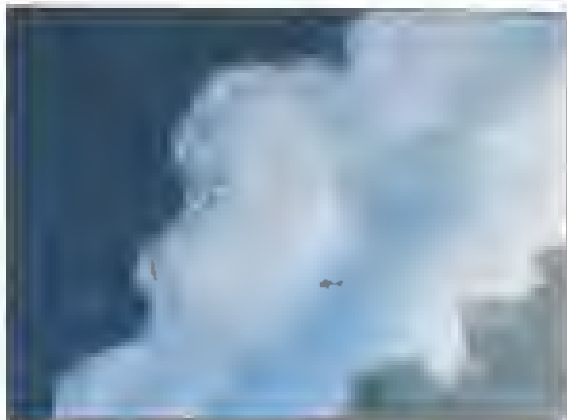
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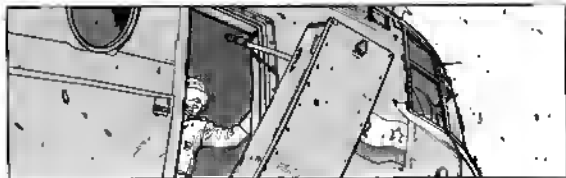
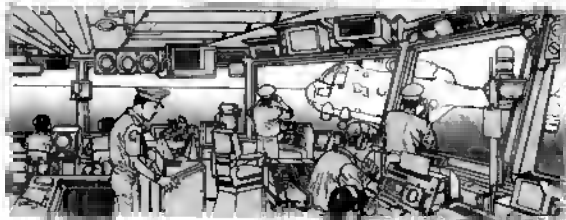
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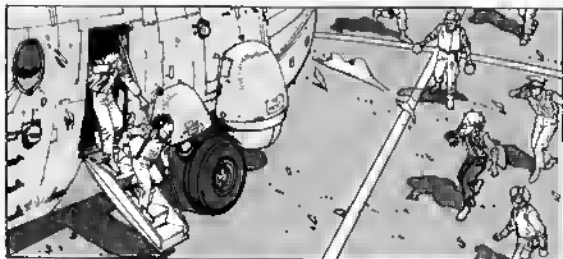


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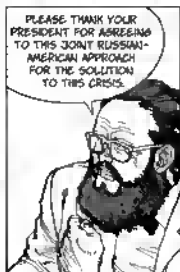




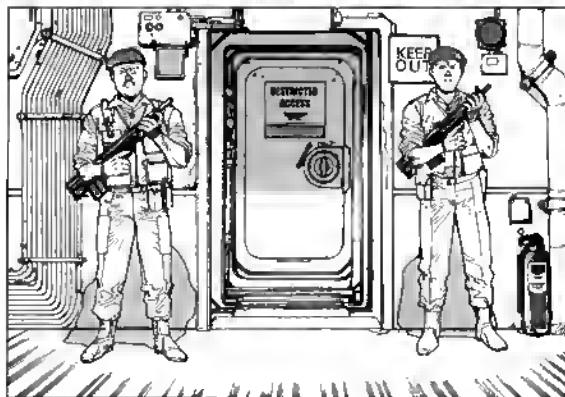














MY FRIENDS,
LET ME INTRO-
DUCE DOCTOR
SUBROVSKY.



I BELIEVE
YOU ALREADY
KNOW DOCTOR
JARRIS.

OF COURSE!
WE MET IN PARIS.
WHAT HAS IT
BEEN, FIVE
YEARS?

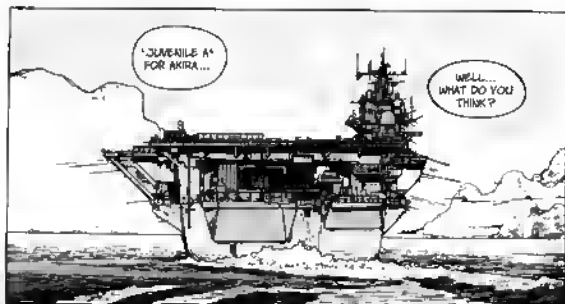


IT'S FINALLY
HAPPENING. THE
OUTCAST SCHOLARS
OF THE WORLD
ARE TOGETHER
AT LAST.

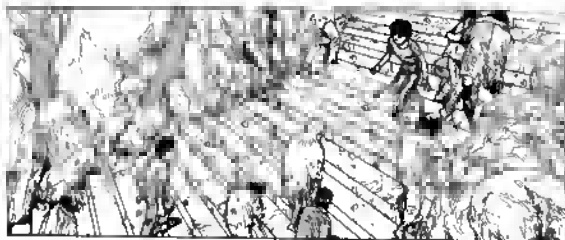
THAT'S RIGHT.
IT'S A PLEASURE
TO SEE YOU AGAIN.











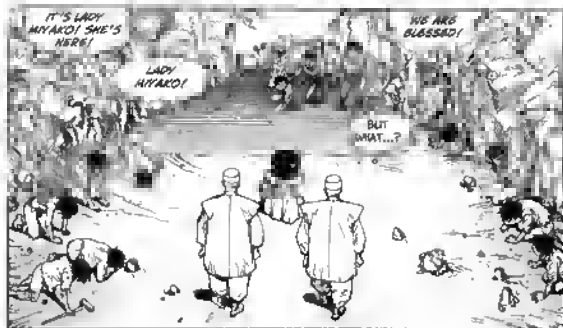








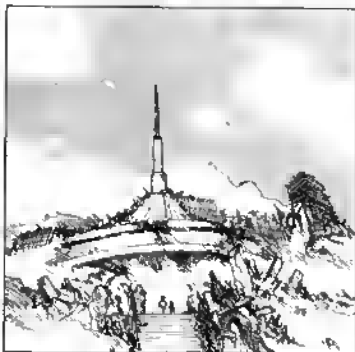


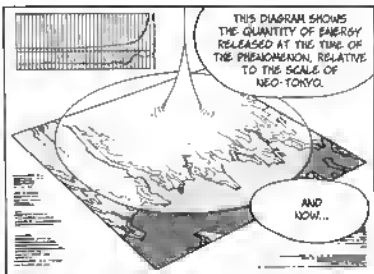


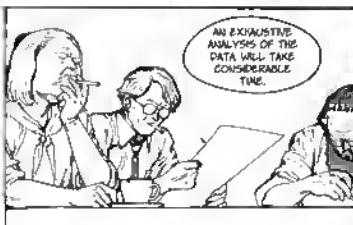
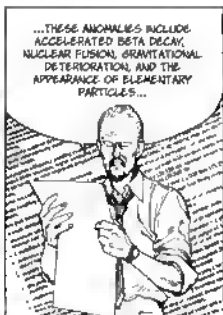


I...I CAN...WALK
ON MY OWN...



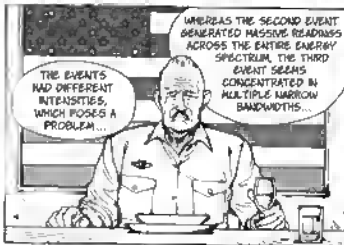








WE MUST TREAT THE SECOND AND THIRD EVENTS AS SEPARATE PHENOMENA... THE DATA SHOW INTRINSIC DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO.



THE EVENTS HAD DIFFERENT INTENSITIES, WHICH POSES A PROBLEM...

WHEREAS THE SECOND EVENT GENERATED MASSIVE READINGS ACROSS THE ENTIRE ENERGY SPECTRUM, THE THIRD EVENT SEEMS CONCENTRATED IN MULTIPLE NARROW BANDWIDTHS...



...AND OF MUCH SMALLER MAGNITUDE. IT CAN'T COMPARE WITH THE DAMAGE OF THE SECOND EVENT.



IT'S INTERESTING THAT THE THIRD EVENT OCCURRED PRECISELY AT THE CENTER OF THE IMPACT SITE OF THE SOX SATELLITE LASER...



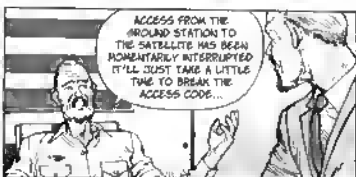
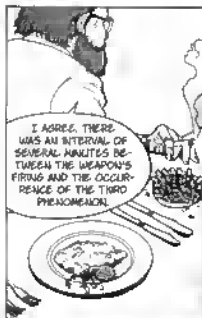
THE MILITARY USED SOX ONCE BEFORE, A FEW MONTHS BEFORE THE SECOND EVENT... VERY NEAR THE SECRET BASE WHERE THEY'D SEQUESTERED AKIRA.

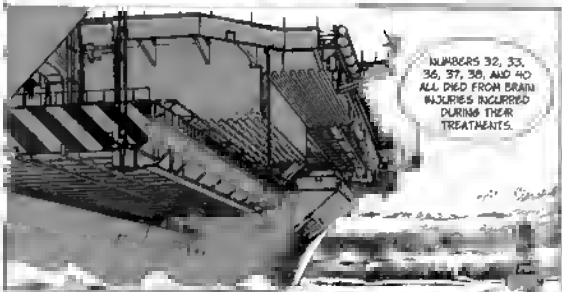


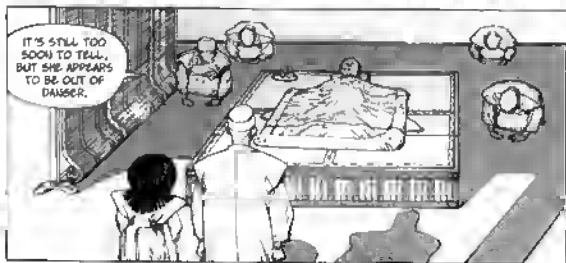
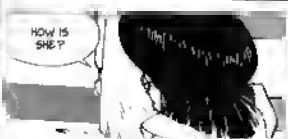
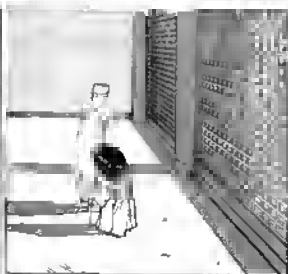
BUT THE FIRST PHENOMENA WAS DECADES AGO, LONG BEFORE SOX WAS BUILT...

YES, BUT--

WE CAN'T ASSUME A CAUSAL RELATIONSHIP... ALTHOUGH THERE IS UNDOUBTEDLY A CONNECTION.

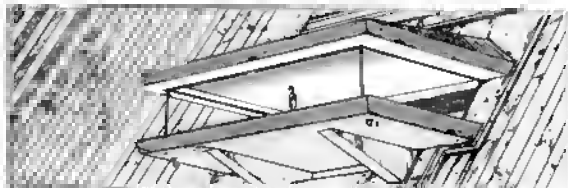


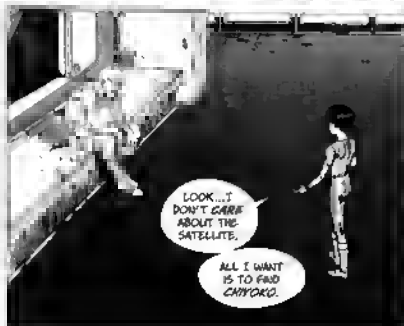


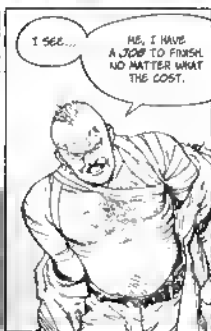




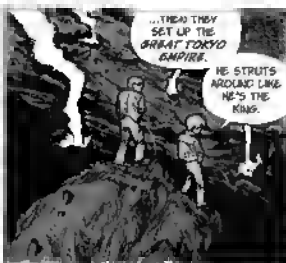












...THEY THEY
SET UP THE
GREAT TOKYO
EMPIRE.

HE STRUTS
AROUND LIKE
HE'S THE
KING.



WHAT HAPPENED
TO THE KID--
AKIRA?



NOW THAT YOU
MENTION IT...HE'S
THE ONE SUP-
POSEDLY IN
CHARGE...

...BUT NO
ONE KNOWS
MUCH ABOUT
HIM.

zip



THOSE
EMPIRE GUYS
WORSHIP HIM...
CALL HIM
'LORD'.

ME, I THINK HE'S
JUST A FIGUREHEAD.
HE APPEARS TO RUN
HIS EMPIRE WITHOUT
SAYING A WORD...



...BUT
ALL THE
TIME...

...IT'S
TETSUO
GIVING THE
ORDERS.



SHIT...
TO THINK HE
SURVIVED ALL
THAT.

REALLY TEARING
THE PLACE UP, AREN'T
YOU TETSUO? FOR A
FUCKER WHO SHOULD
BE DEAD BY NOW...







HEY!
WHERE ARE
YOU GOING?

AWAY FROM
THE TEMPLE.
FOLLOW ME.



TELL ME, WHO
IS THIS ANYKID,
ANYWAY?



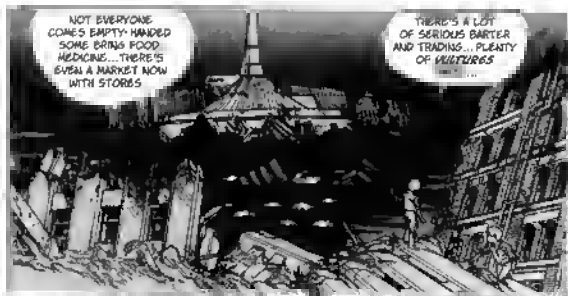
FOUNDER OF HER
OWN CHURCH...A
LITTLE GOSSIP
SORT OF...



SHE TAKES IN
EVERYBODY--THE
POOR, THE SICK,
ANYBODY IN
NEED.

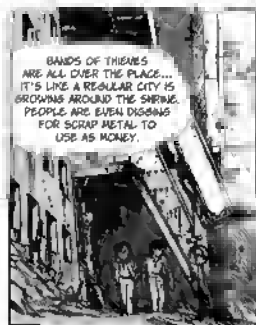


THE REST COME
THINKING SHE'LL
SOLVE ALL THEIR
PROBLEMS. PEOPLE
GO THROUGH HELL
JUST TO COME HERE
AND BEG. IT MAKES
ME WANT
PURGE...



NOT EVERYONE
COMES EMPTY-HANDED
SOME BRING FOOD
MEDICINE...THERE'S
EVEN A MARKET NOW
WITH STORES

THERE'S A LOT
OF SERIOUS BARTER
AND TRADING...PLENTY
OF VILLAGERS



BANDS OF THIEVES
ARE ALL OVER THE PLACE...
IT'S LIKE A REGULAR CITY IS
GROWING AROUND THE SHRINE.
PEOPLE ARE EVEN DIGGING
FOR SCRAP METAL TO
USE AS MONEY.



WELL, IN
THAT CASE...

...I SHOULD BE
ABLE TO GET
BEARED UP!



PROBLEM IS...
I GOT NOTHIN'
WORTH TRADING.

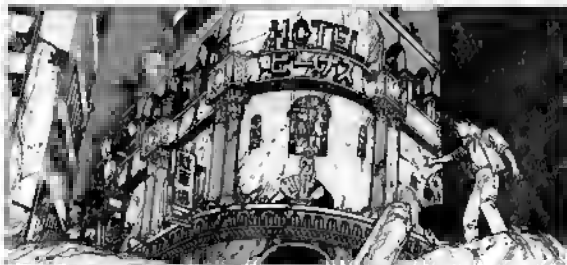


LIKE YOU THINK
YOU'RE GONNA FIND AN
OPEN STORE THIS TIME
A' NIGHT...?

SO HOW WE
GONNA—



.. WE'RE GOING
TO THE THIEVES'
QUARTER?

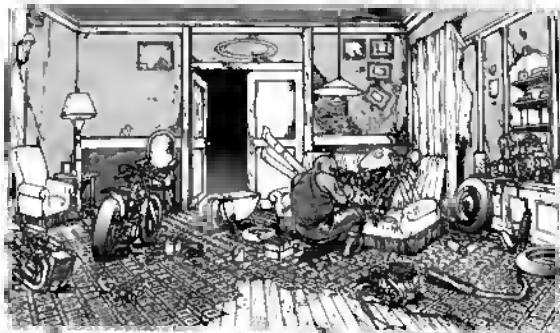




IS IT TRUE THOSE TOKYO EMPIRE BASTARDS ATTACKED LADY MIYAKO? IS SHE DEAD, HUH?

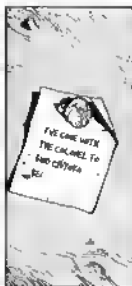
DOES IT LOOK LIKE AKIRA WILL COME HERE NEXT? WHAT YOU HEARD

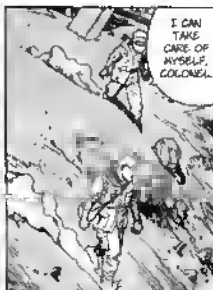


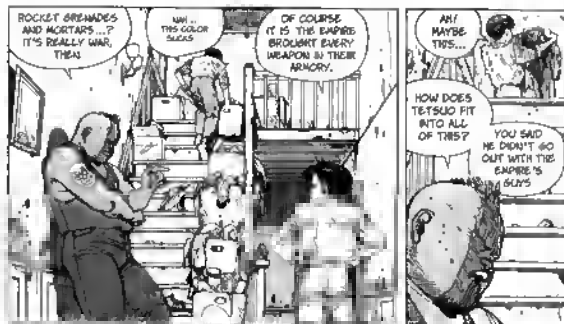


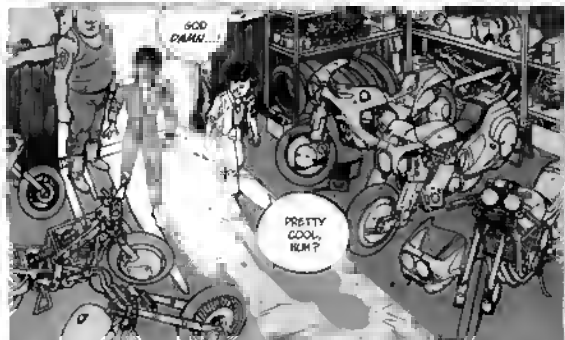


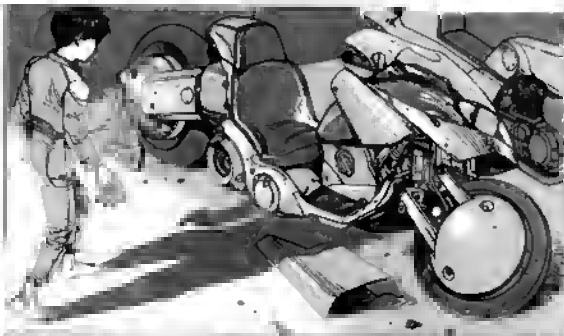


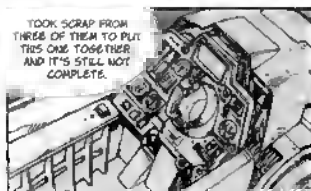
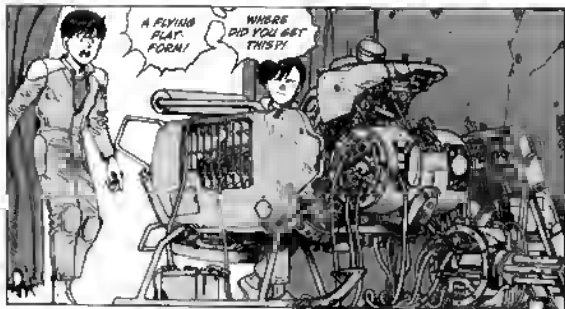


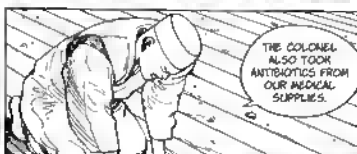
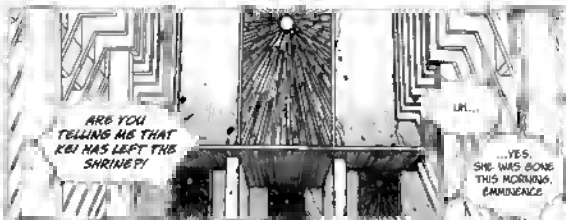




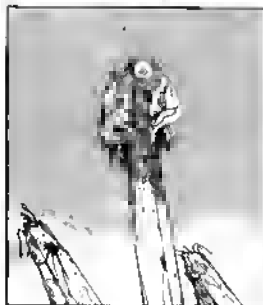
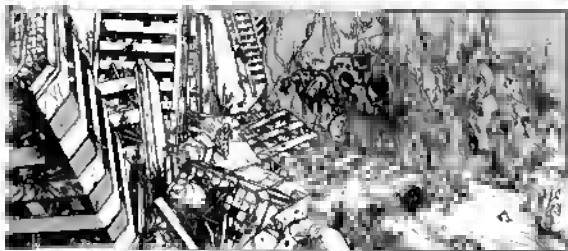


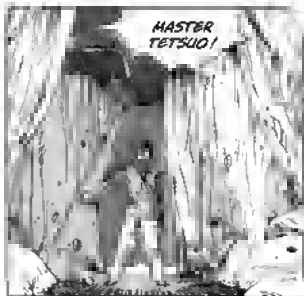
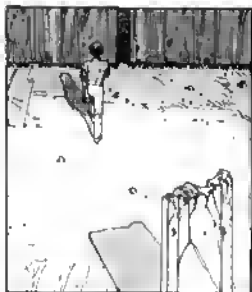
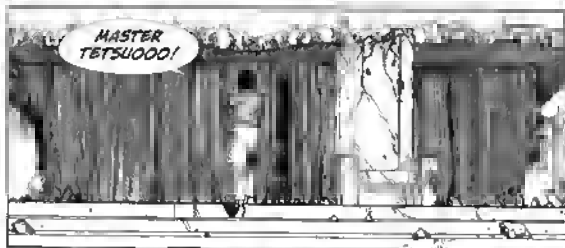






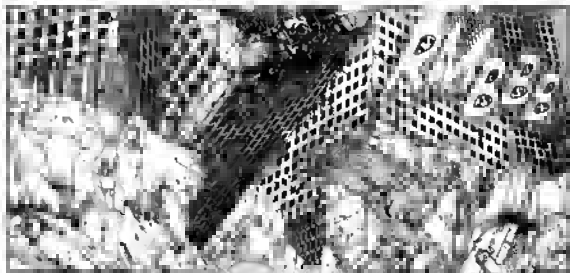






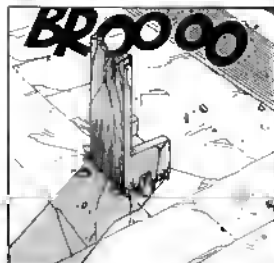
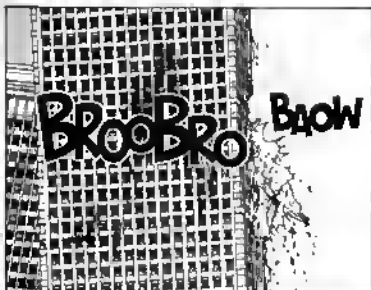


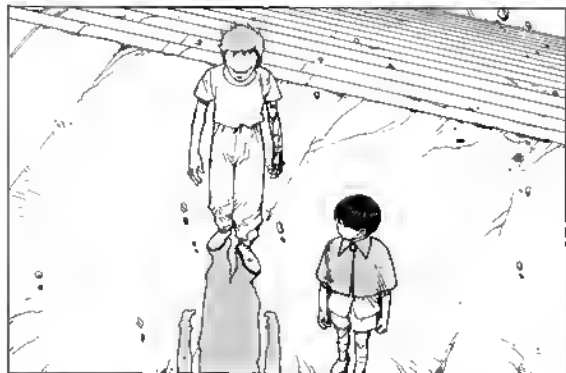


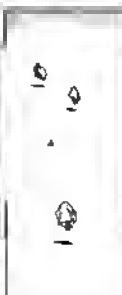




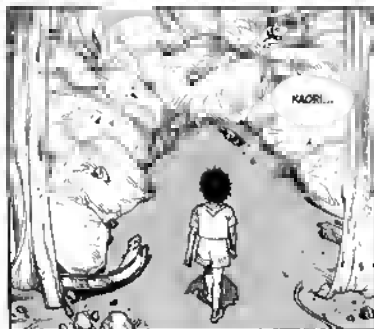


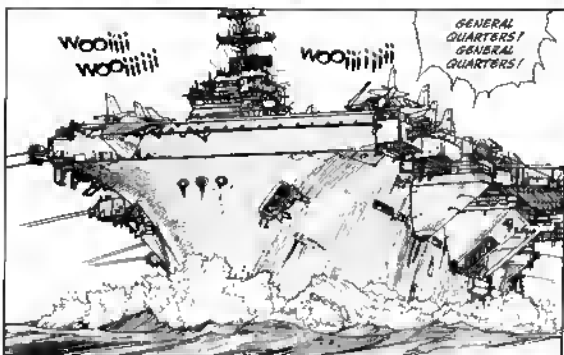
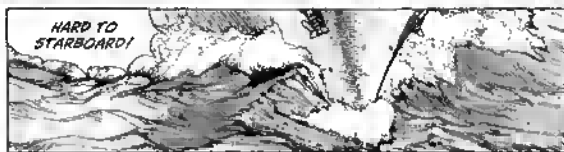


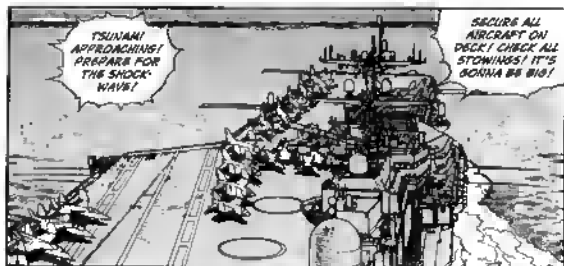




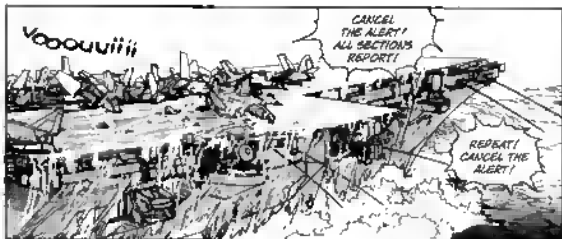


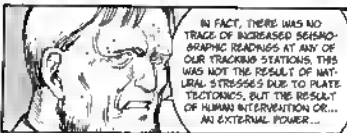
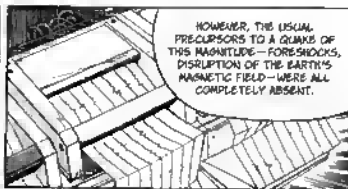


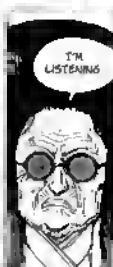


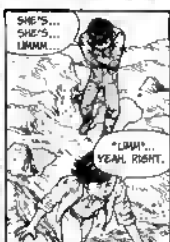


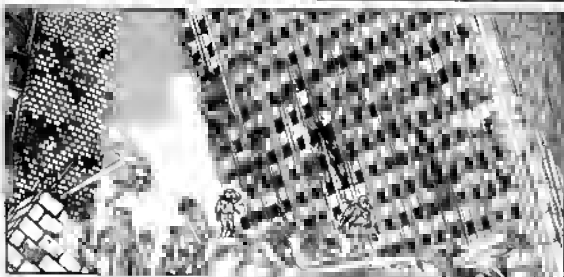


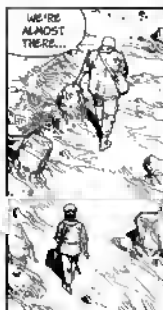




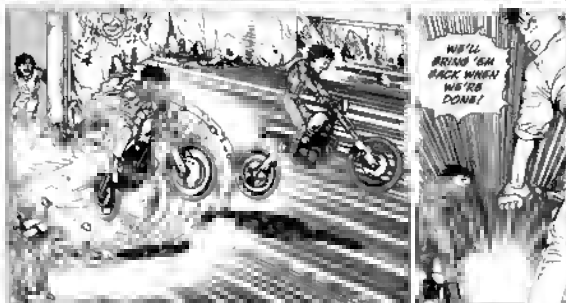


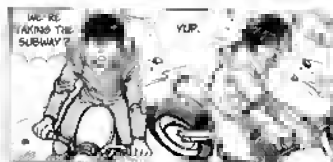




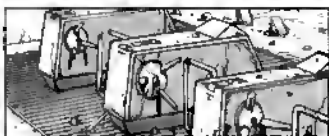
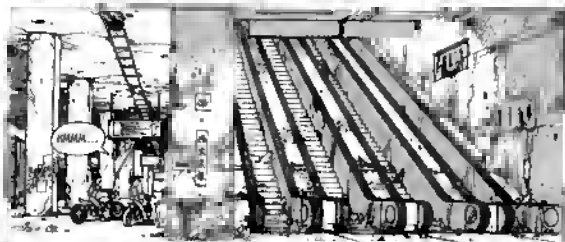


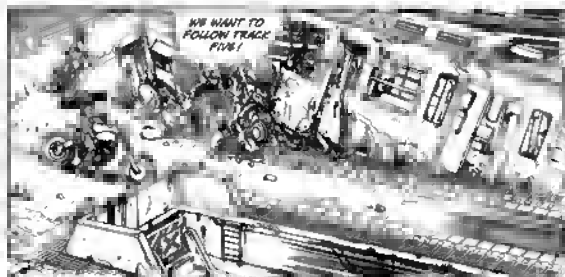








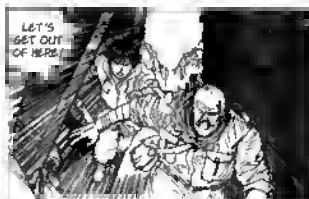


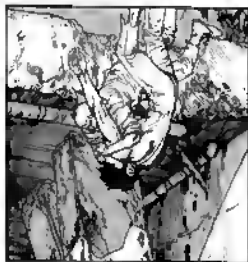


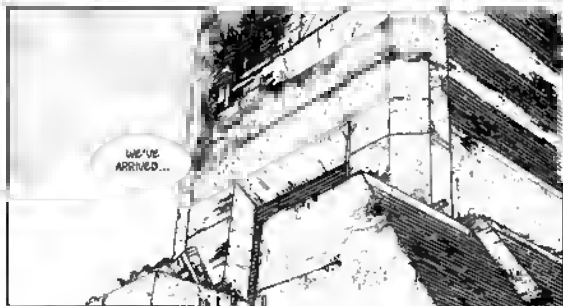






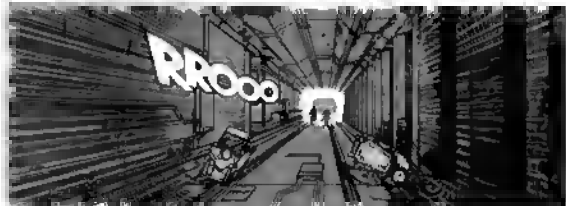


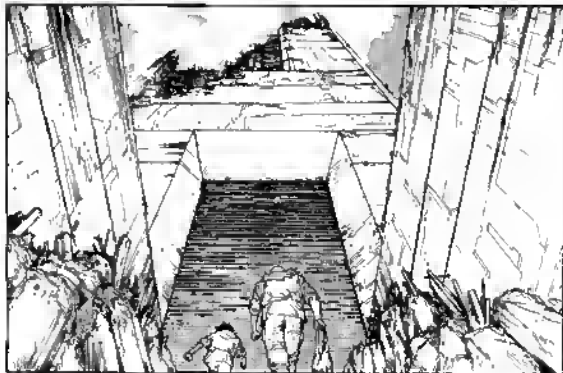


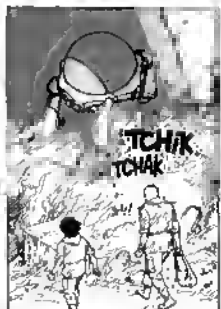
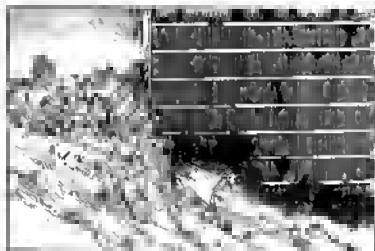




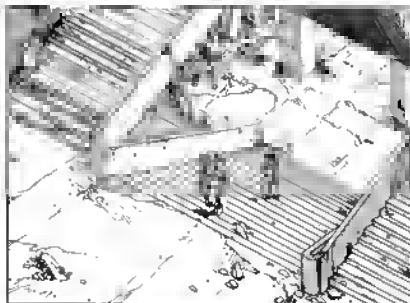


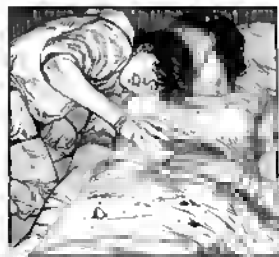










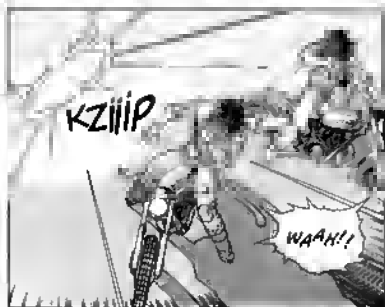






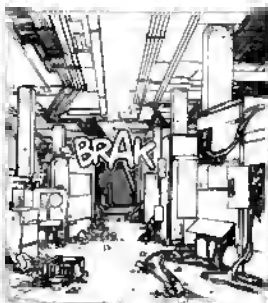


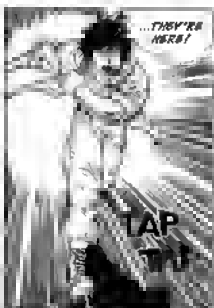
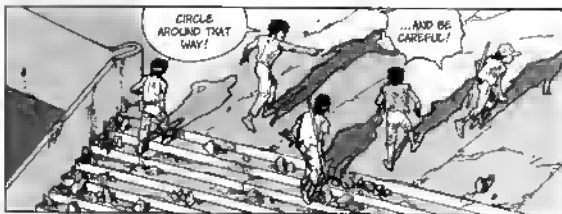


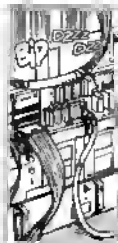












THIS
COMPUTER'S
ON!



LOOK!
THERE THEY
GO!



GET
'EM!



FIRE!

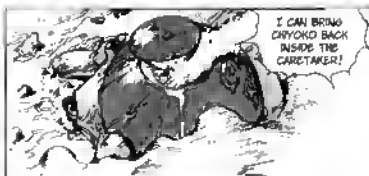
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BAM

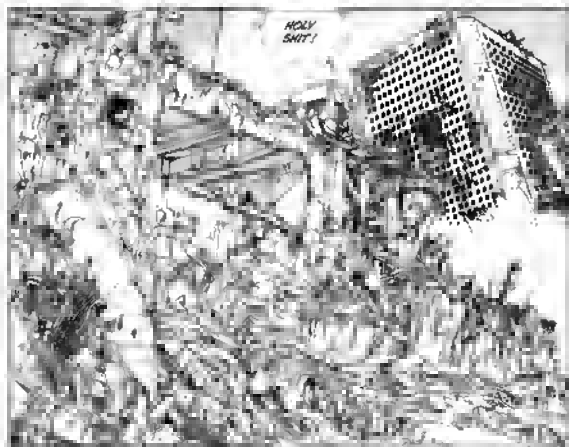
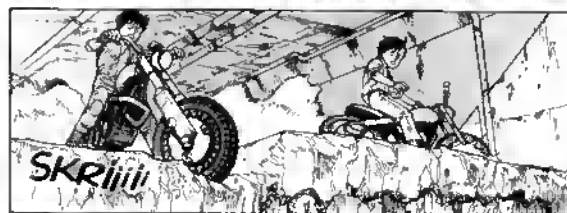




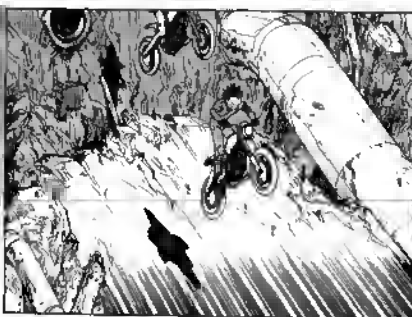


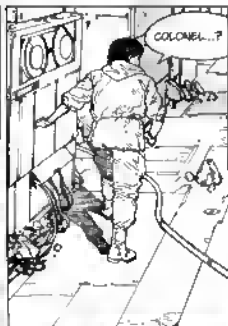








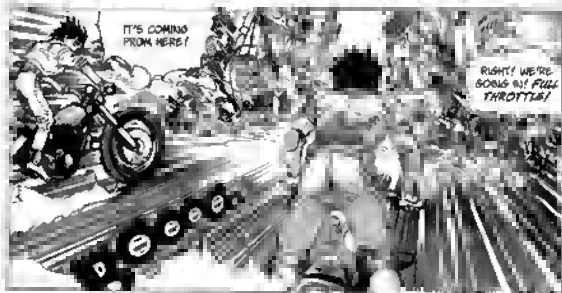


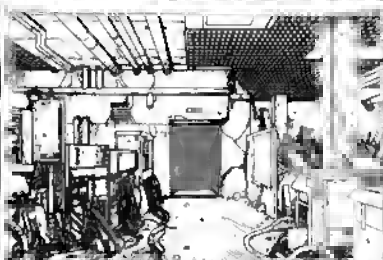


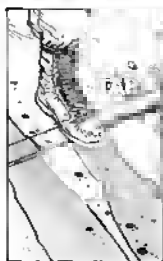
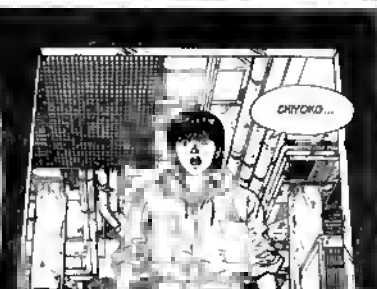
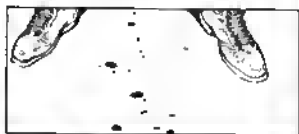










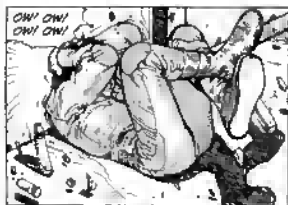


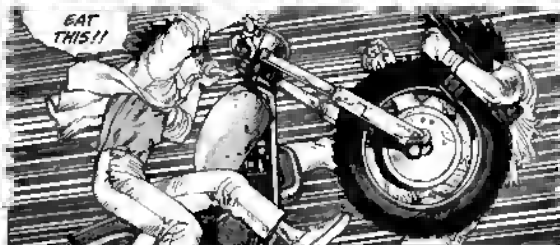






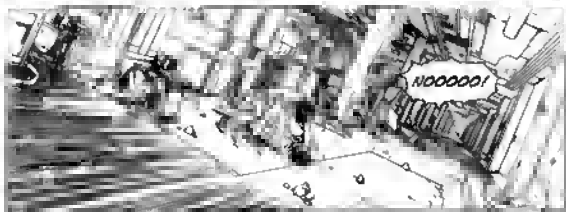




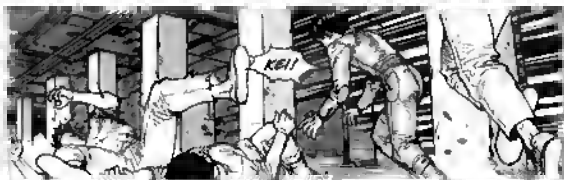


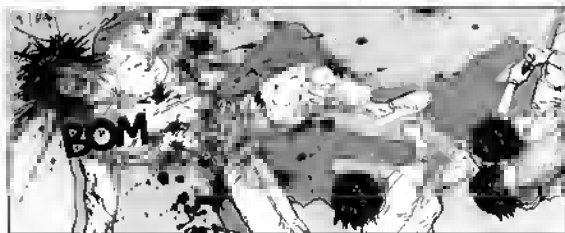


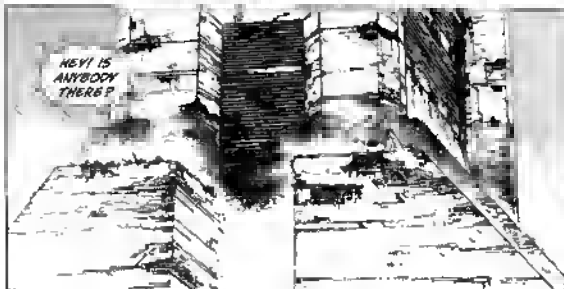


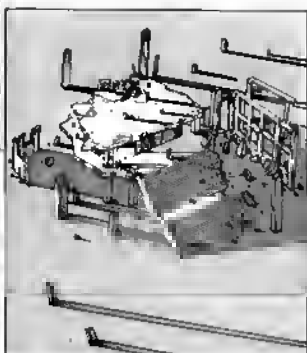






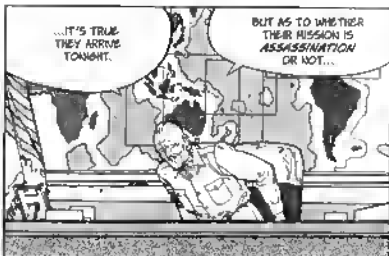




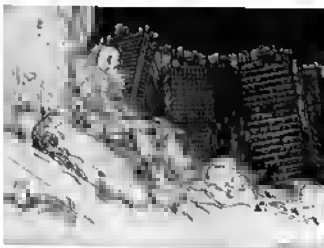








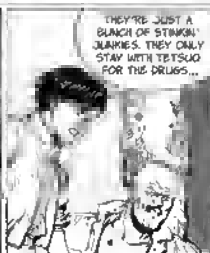
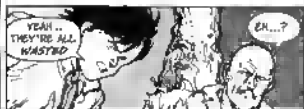
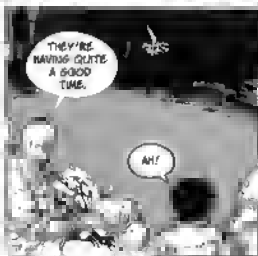


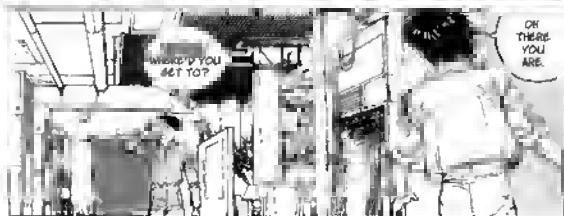


WHO GOES
THERE?

HOLD YOUR
FIRE! IT'S
KATSUKI!



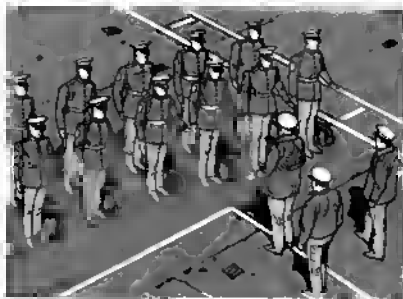


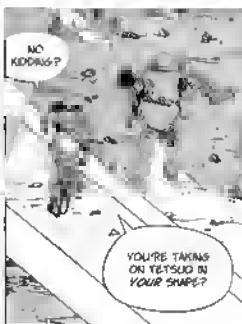




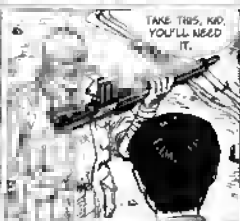
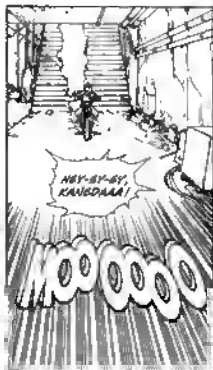




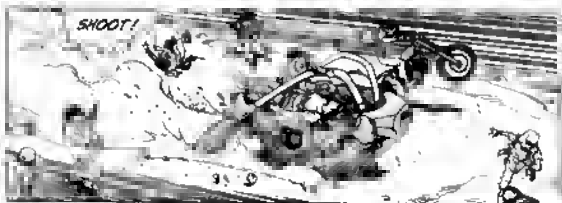


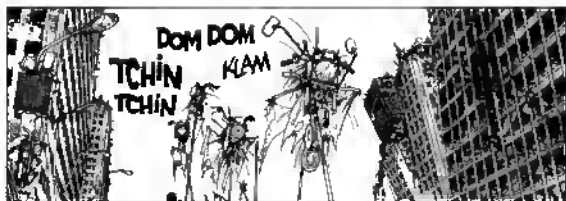












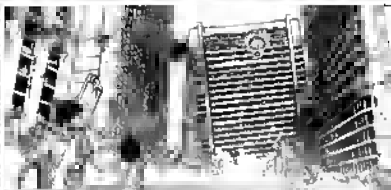
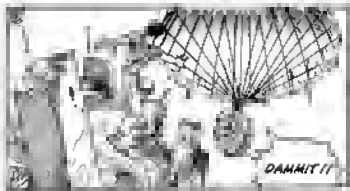














HURRY!
GET IT!



ZIIP

GET
IT!



NOT VERY BIG FOR
A FOOD PACK...

OPEN IT
AND SEE...!



STAY BACK!
DON'T TRY TO
OPEN IT!



...YOU!



MORE
THAN JUST
RATIONS.
HUNK?



KSHK

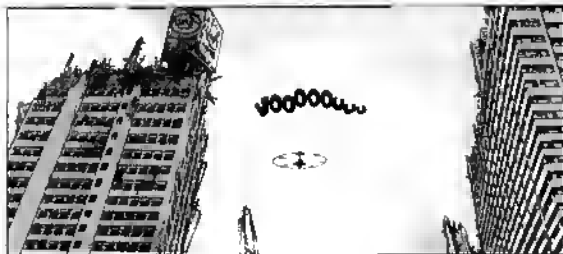
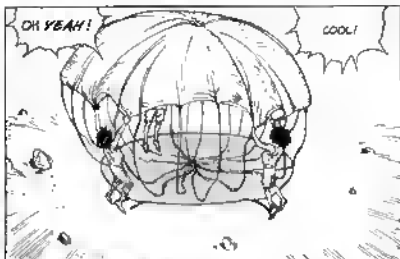


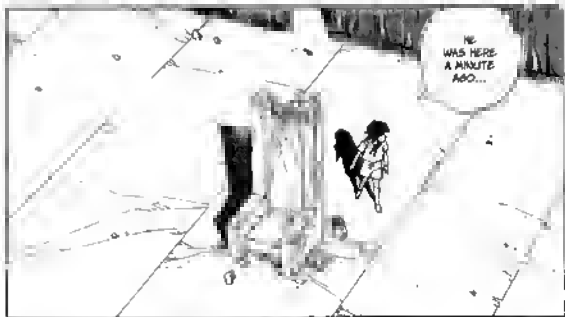
IT'S RIGGED
TO EXPLODE IF
YOU FORCE IT



YOU KIDS
HEARD THE MAN.
NO FOOD

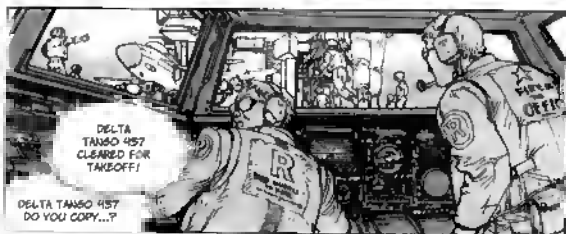
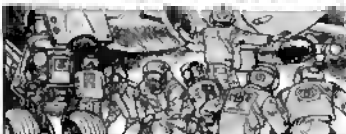
NOW BEAT
IT!

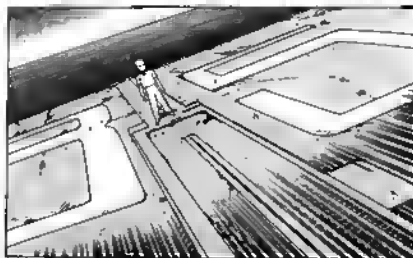
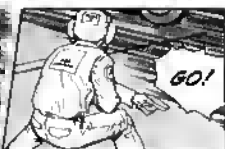
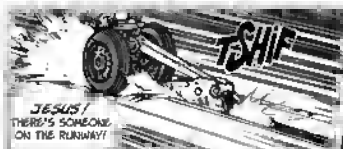


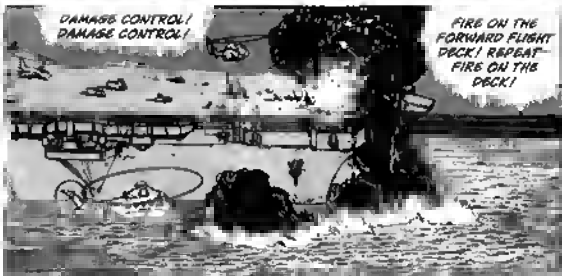
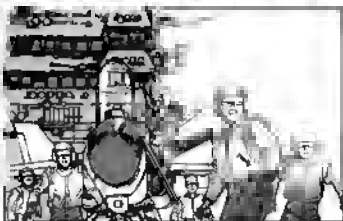
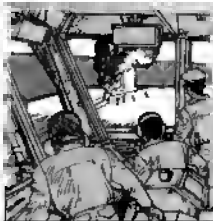


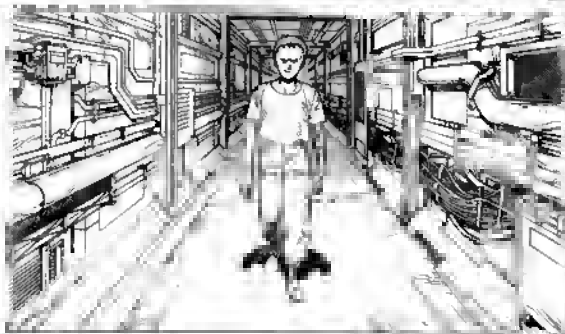
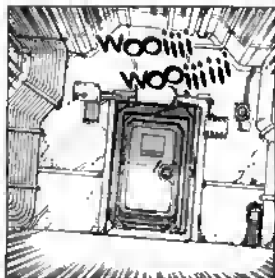


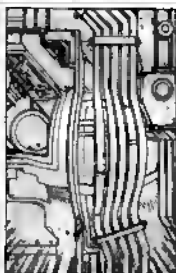
GET YOUR BUTTS
IN GEAR! IF WE'RE
NOT SCRAMBLED IN
FIVE MINUTES WE'RE
SITTING TARGETS!

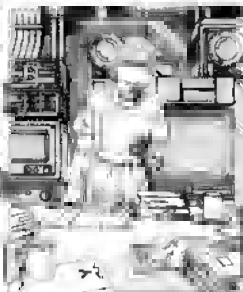


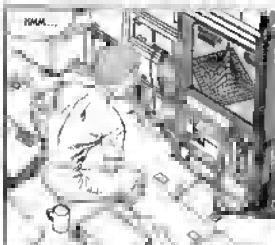
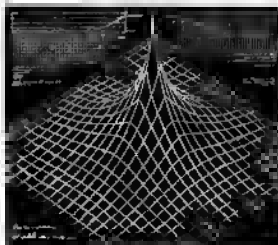














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AS FAR AS WE'RE
CONCERNED...THE
PROBLEM IS HAVING
SUCH MASSIVE POWER
RUNNING OUT OF
CONTROL...



SCIENTISTS
JUST STAY IN
YOUR DARK
LITTLE LABS...

...PEER THROUGH YOUR
MICROSCOPES,
PEEK OUT AT
THE SKY ALL
NIGHT THROUGH
YOUR TELESCOPES
AND JERK OFF!



THAT "TRUTH" YOU'RE
ALL LUSTING FOR OVER
YOUR BOTTLE-GLASS
LENSES IS A PILE
OF CRAP!



HOW PROVOCATIVE...
YET, WE'RE STILL
DESPERATE TO
UNDERSTAND AKIRA'S
POWER.



...THROUGH THESE
BOTTLE-GLASS
LENSES!



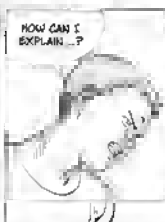
POWER...
YOU SAY?



I GOT IT
WRONG, TED,
AT FIRST.

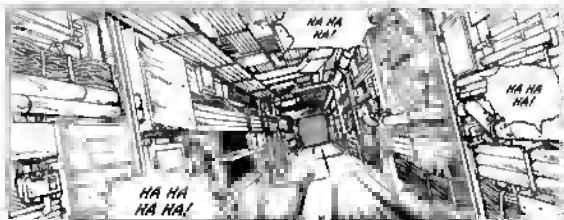
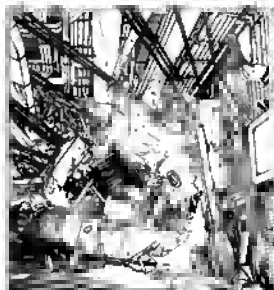


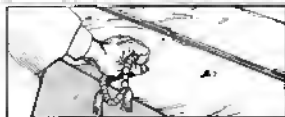
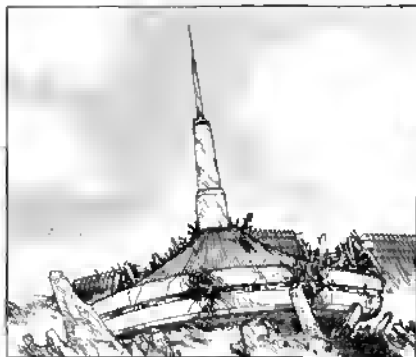
YOU DO THAT SORT
OF SHIT WHEN YOU'RE
YOUNG, RIGHT? STRAIN
TOO HARD, AND THROW
YOUR SHOULDER
OUT OF JOINT.

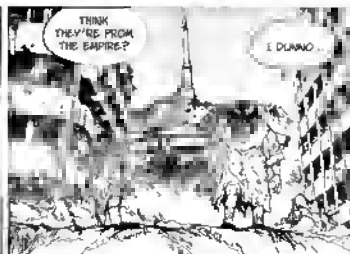




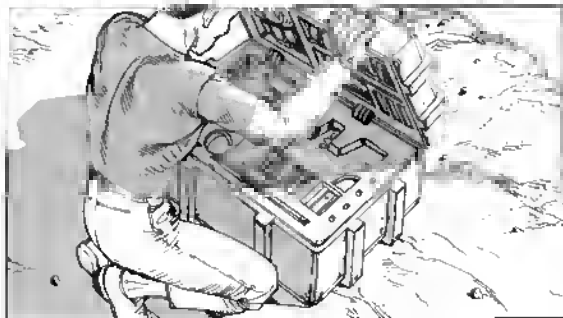
















SAY
WHAT...?



YOU WANT
A GENERAL
ASSEMBLY?

I-I
THINK IT
WOULD BE
A GOOD
IDEA...



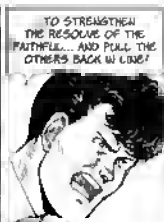
LADY
MIYAKO EXERTS
A HARMFUL
INFLUENCE OVER
THE EMPIRE.

EVERY DAY,
MORE OF OUR
CITIZENS ARE
DRAWN AWAY,
SMELLING
HER RANKS.



SO.. WE
HOLD A GREAT
GATHERING..

..WHERE YOU
WOULD APPEAR
WITH LORD AKIRA
AND SHOW THEM
YOUR POWER..



TO STRENGTHEN
THE RESOLVE OF THE
FAITHFUL... AND PULL THE
OTHERS BACK IN LINE!



SO
YOU WANT TO
ORGANIZE A LITTLE
DEMONSTRATION?

YEAH,
NOT A BAD IDEA.
THEY COULD USE
A GOOD KICK IN
THE ASS...!







ARE
YOU OUT
OF YOUR
MIND?!

YOU'LL
KILL
EVERYONE!



THINK
OF THE
PEOPLE!

YOU WON'T
BE KILLING JUST
EMPIRE FANATICS...
BUT EVERYONE IN
HBO-TOKYO!



I OFFERED
YOU A CHANCE
TO LEAVE...



KSHIN



NO!



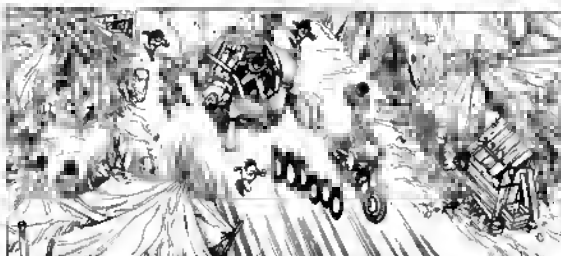
I CAN'T
LET YOU
COMMIT THIS
CRIME!



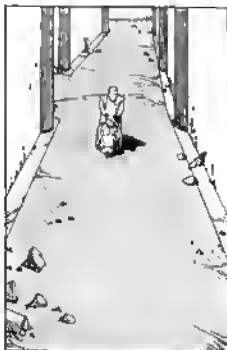
SO...
THE FORMER
TERRORIST HAS
BECOME THE
PARAGON OF
VIRTUE!

DON'T
MAKE ME
LAUGH...

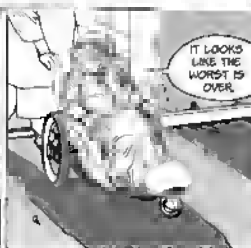
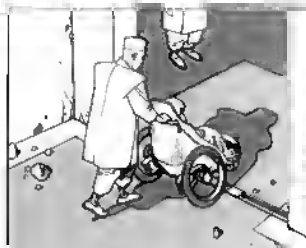


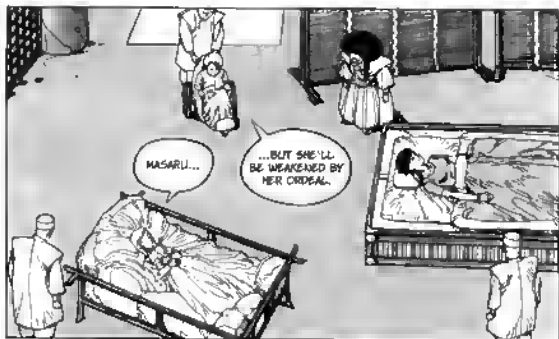


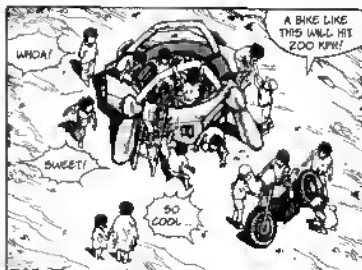


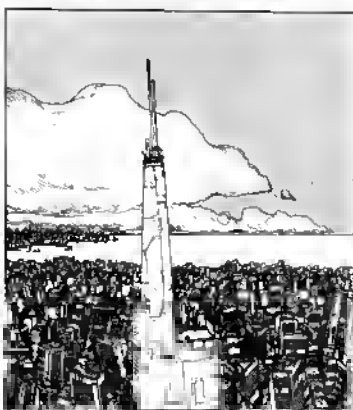


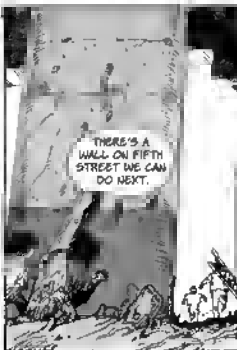




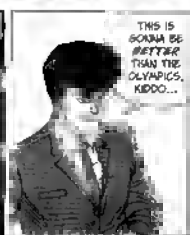
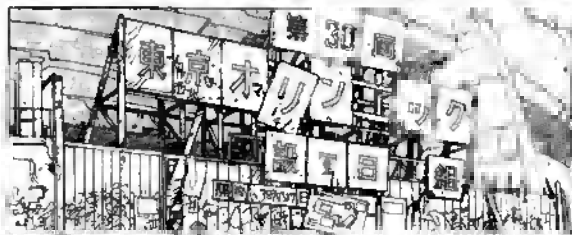
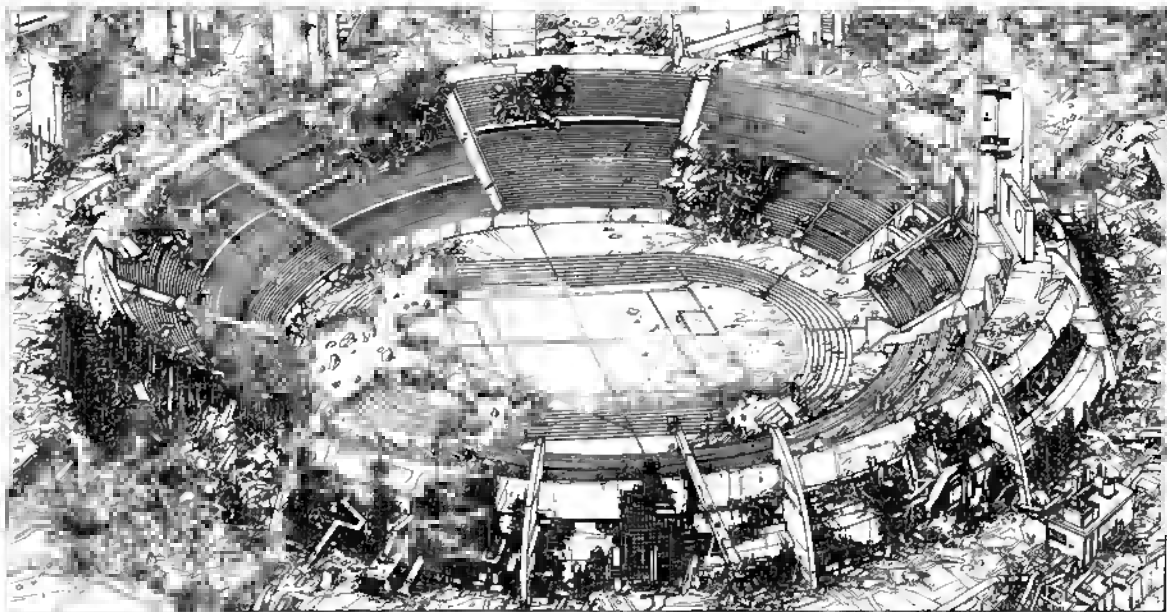


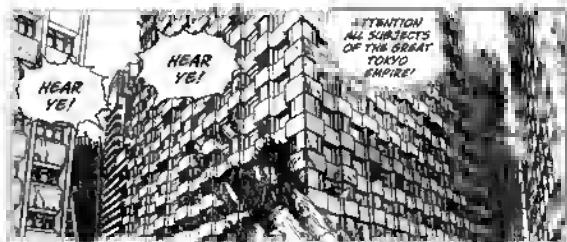


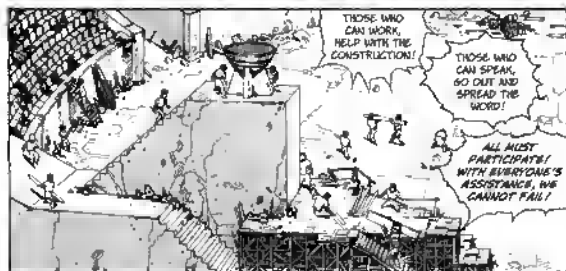
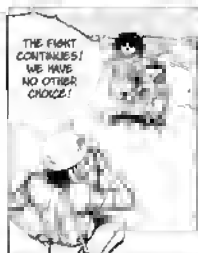
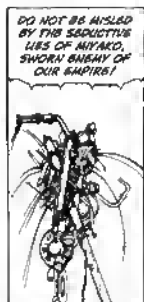


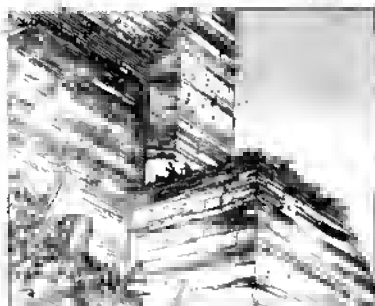


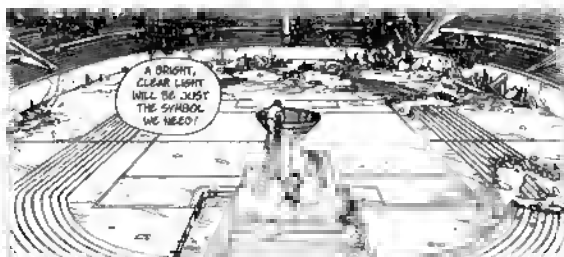
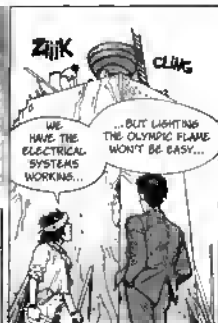
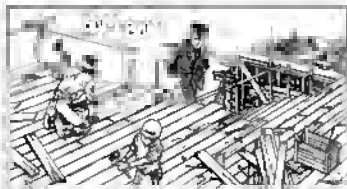


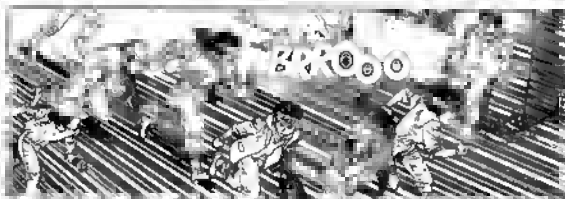




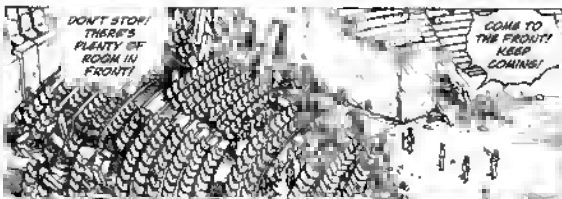
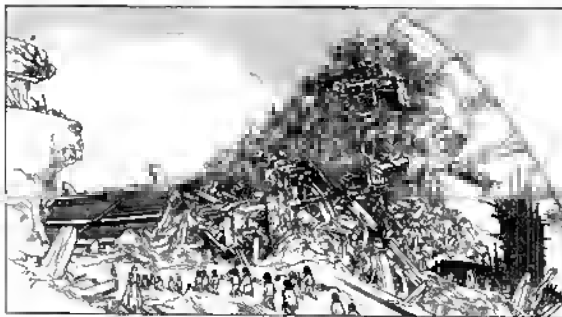




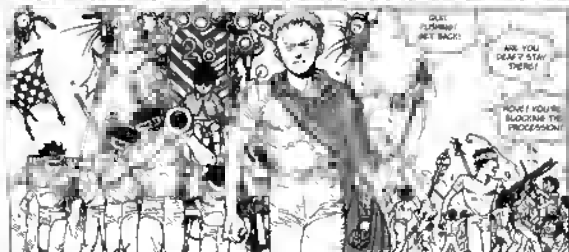




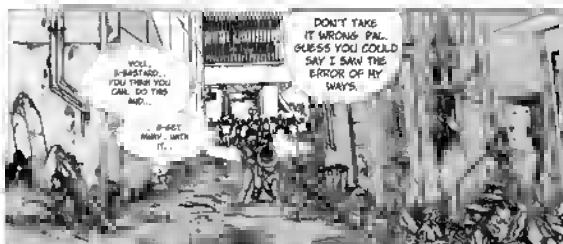


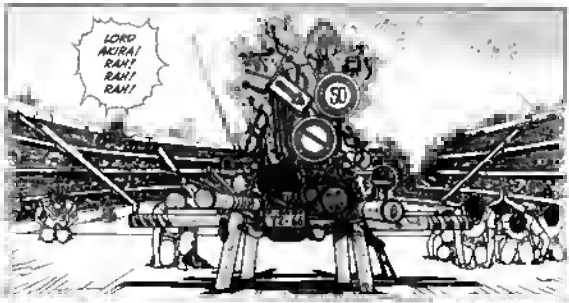


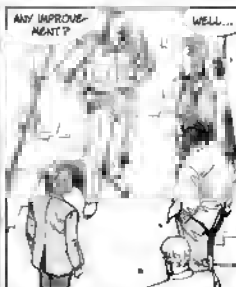
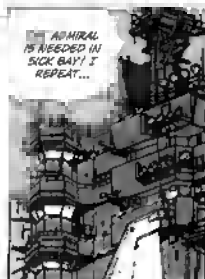


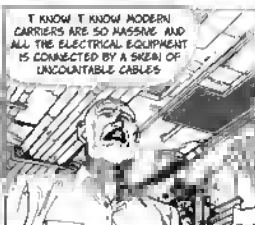
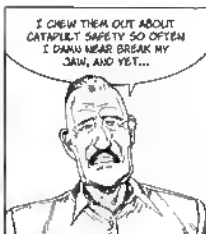


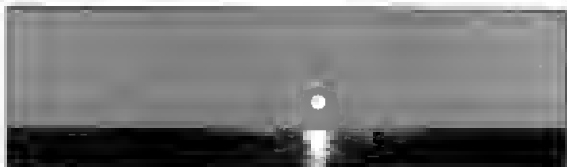


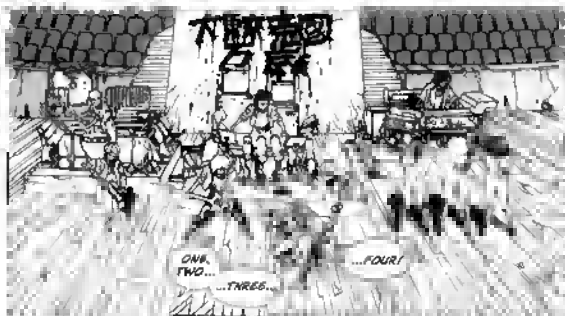










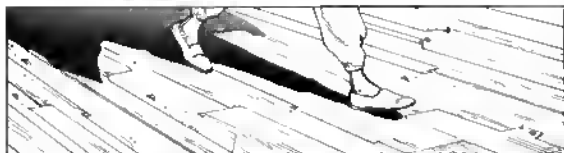




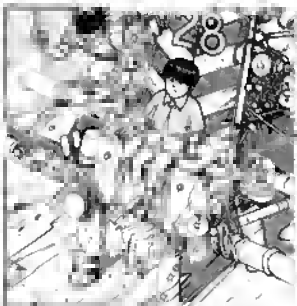
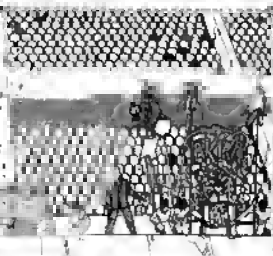
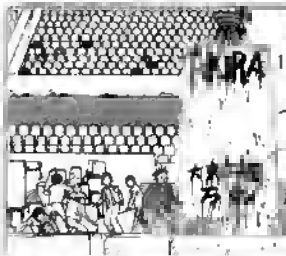


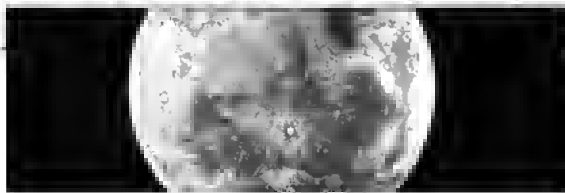






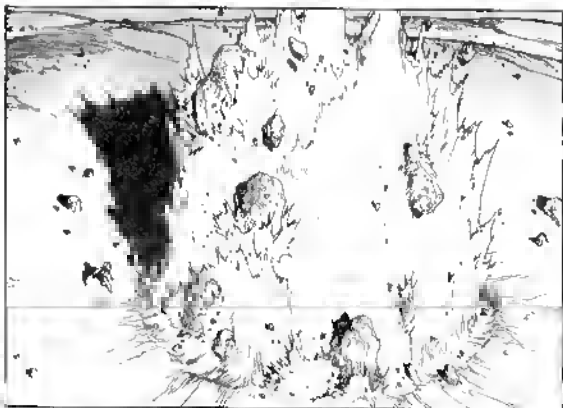


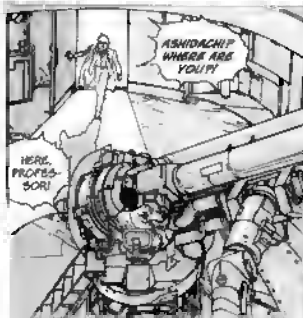






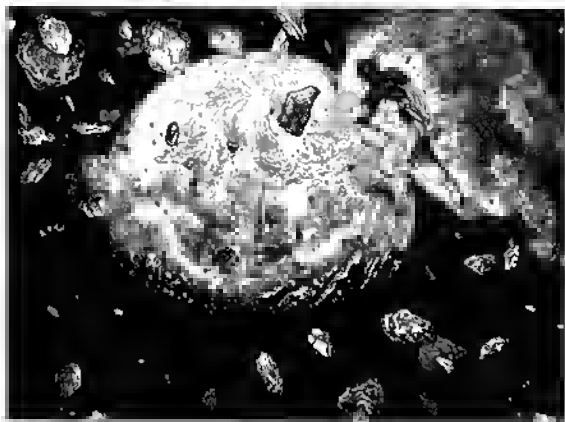
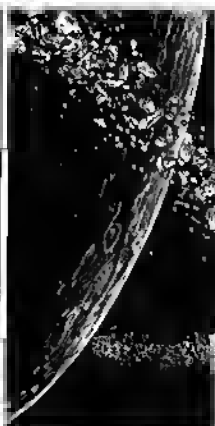
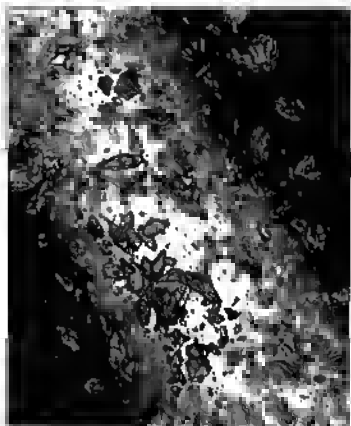


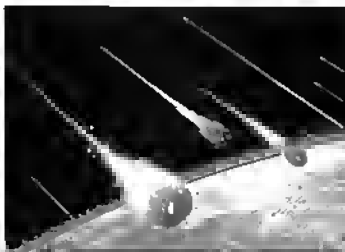
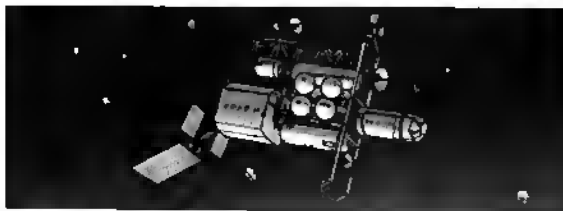
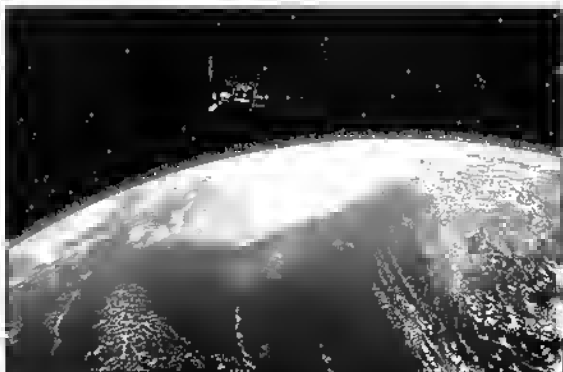


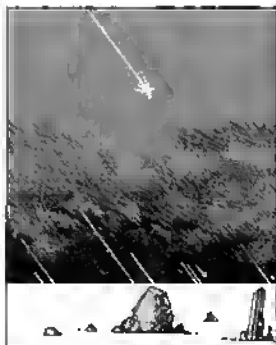


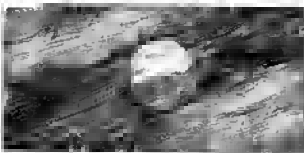


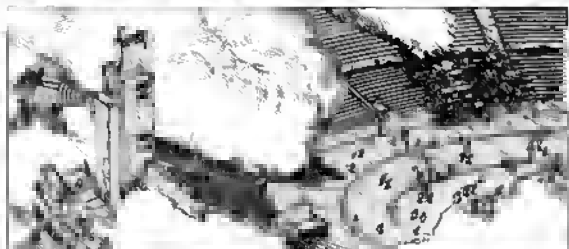
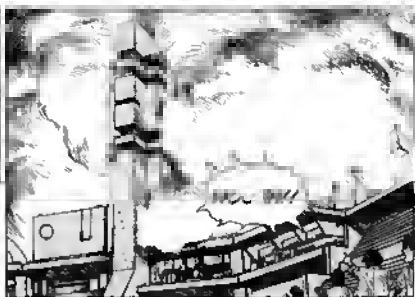


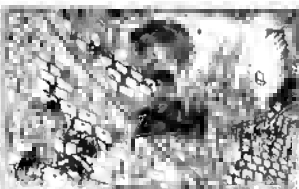




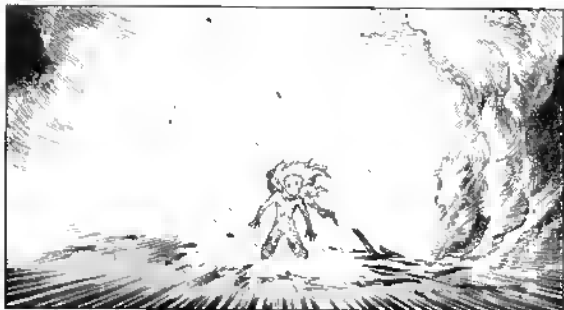


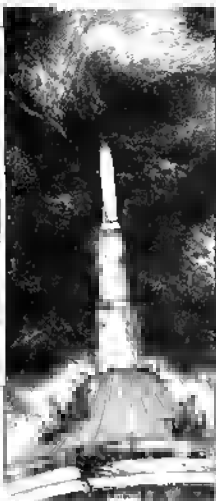
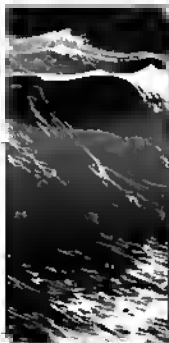




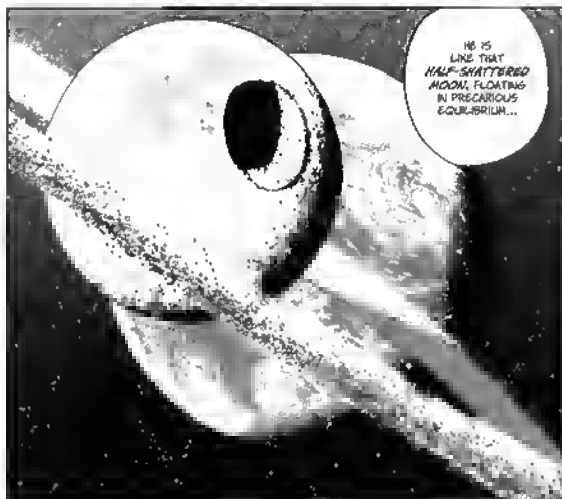
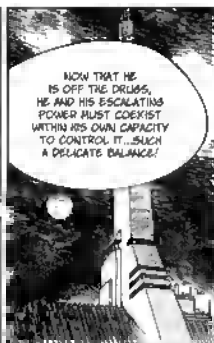


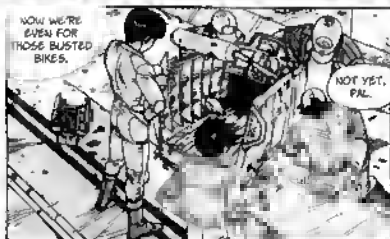
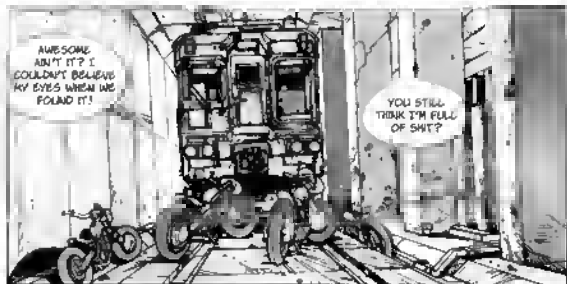


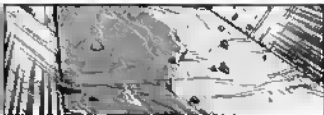


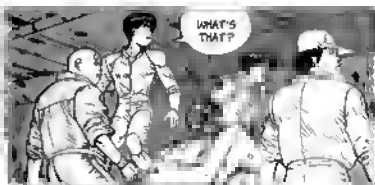


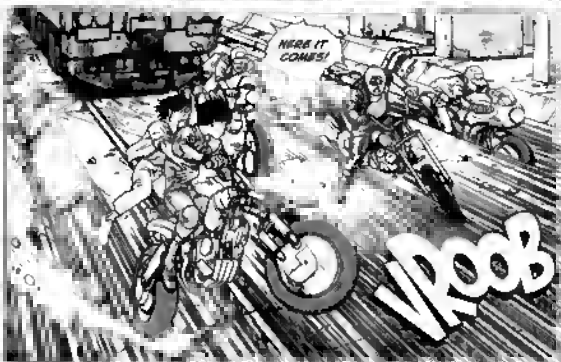
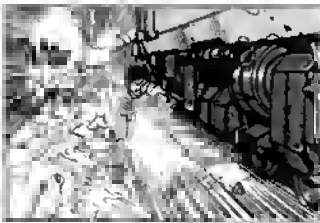
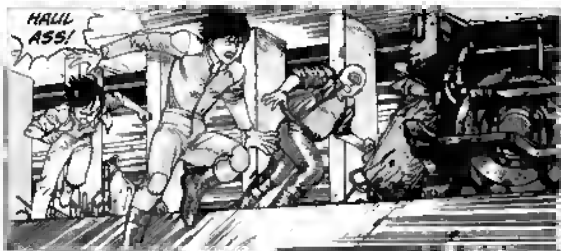




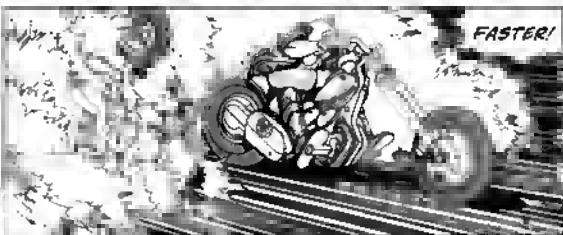
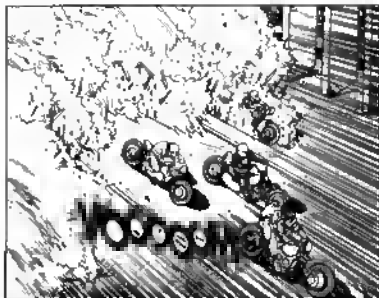






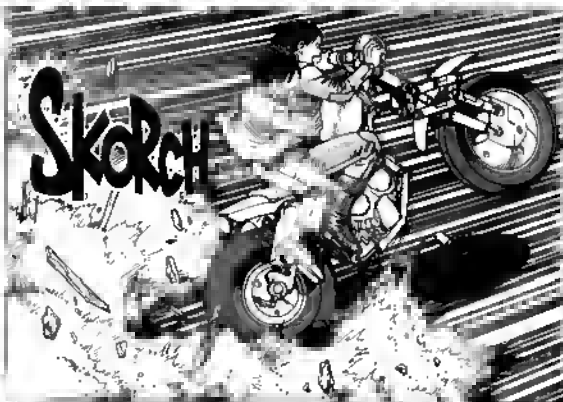








THERE'S NO
WAY WE CAN
MAKE IT RIDING
TOGETHER!



DON'T WORRY,
KAISUKE! I'LL
HONOR YOUR
MEMORY!



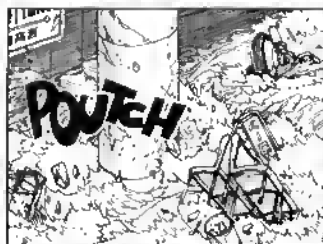
I PROMISE I'LL TAKE
CARE OF TETSUO,
SO YOU CAN REST
IN PEACE! NOW
GET OFF!

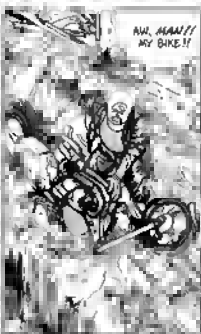


YOU
BASTARD!

HOW
YOU THINK OF
YOURSELF AT
A TIME LIKE
THIS?

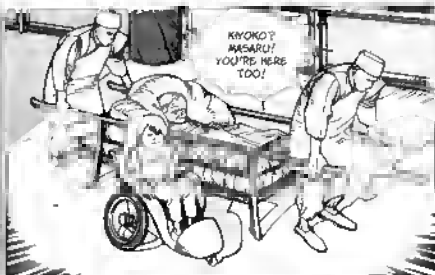






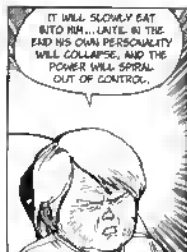




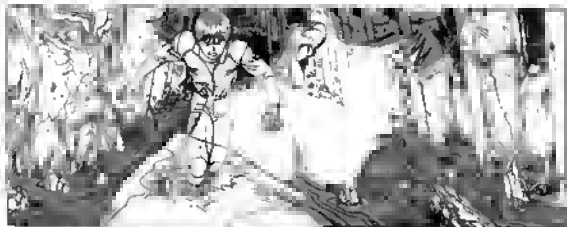
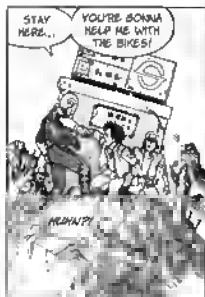




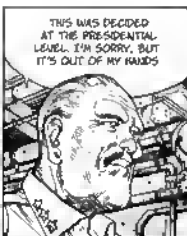














THIS IS THE
DROP ZONE.
WE WILL
DISSEMBARK...
HERE.



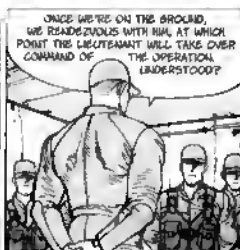
INFORMATION
REGARDING TOPOGRAPHY
OF THE AREA IS SKETCHY,
SO THE CHOPPER WILL
DROP US AT SEA.
WE ROW TO
SHORE.



THIS IS A
PICTURE...



...OF LIEUTENANT
GEORGE YAMADA,
LEADER OF THE RECON
TEAM THAT INFILTRATED
NEO-TOKYO. REMEMBER
THIS FACE...

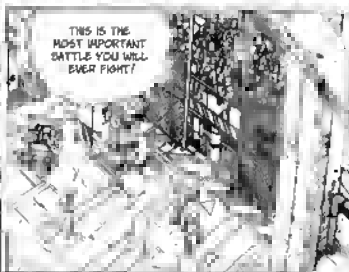
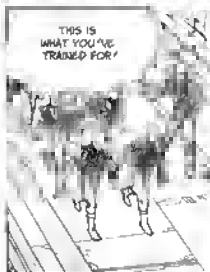


ONCE WE'RE ON THE GROUND,
WE RENDEZVOUS WITH HIM, AT WHICH
POINT THE LIEUTENANT WILL TAKE OVER
COMMAND OF THE OPERATION.
UNDERSTOOD?



WE'LL THEN PROCEED
TO OPERATIONAL STAGE
THREE. HOWEVER, IF
YOU ARE UNABLE TO
RENDEZVOUS WITH
THE LIEUTENANT...

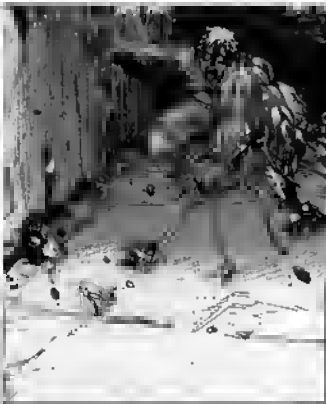
...OR SHOULD YOU
DETECT ANYTHING UNUSUAL
ABOUT HIM OR HIS ACTIONS...
PROCEED TO STAGE THREE
AT YOUR INDIVIDUAL
DISCRETION...





AMIRA









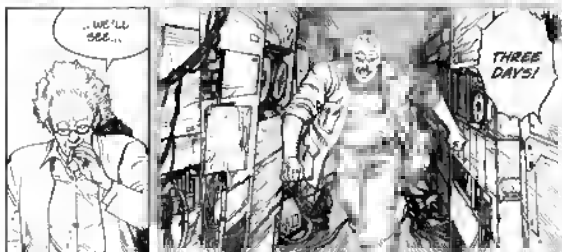
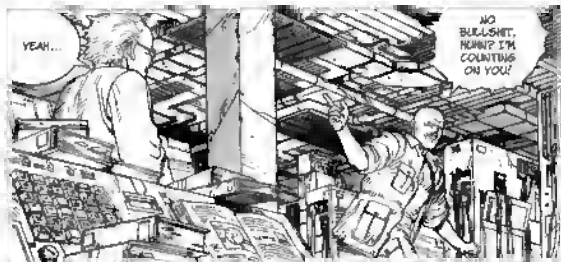








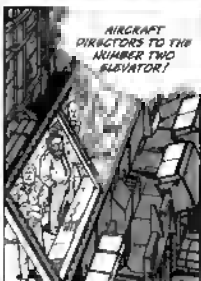






**HOTEL 545, LIFT OFF!
LARGE WAVE APPROACHING
STARBOARD! BRACE
FOR IMPACT!**

**SECOND HELD
CLEARED FOR
TAKE OFF!**



**AIRCRAFT
DIRECTORS TO THE
NUMBER TWO
ELEVATOR!**

AS SOON AS TAKEOFF
PROCEDURES FOR THIS FLIGHT
ARE COMPLETE, MOVE ALL
REMAINING DECK AIRCRAFT
INTO THE HANGAR



LISTEN UP,
GUYS, I'M
NOT GONNA
REPEAT
THIS!



THAT'S A CHOPPY SEA
OUT THERE, WITH A
HIGH WIND, SO IF
YOU CAN'T REACH
A BOAT ONCE
WE HIT THE
WATER...



...PROCEED TO SHORE
UNDER YOUR OWN
POWER!

RENDEZVOUS AT POINT
ALPHA-3 AT OH-THREE-
HUNDRED. INITIATE OP AT
OH-THREE-FIFTEEN!

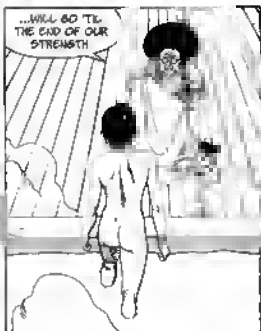
ANY STRAGGLERS
WILL BE CONSIDERED
DROWNED! THAT MEANS
NO MEDALS!

UNDERSTAND?!

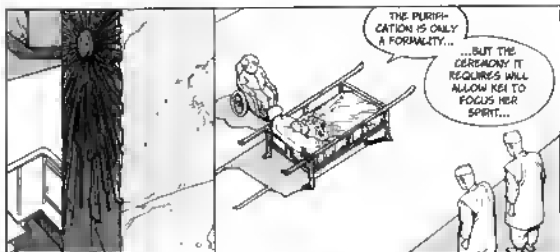
AYE AYE,
SIR!

Voooooooooooo

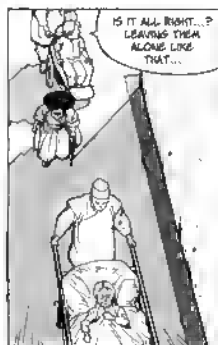
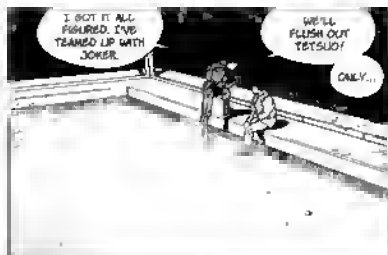






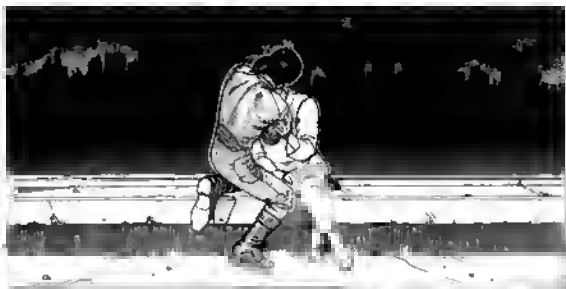






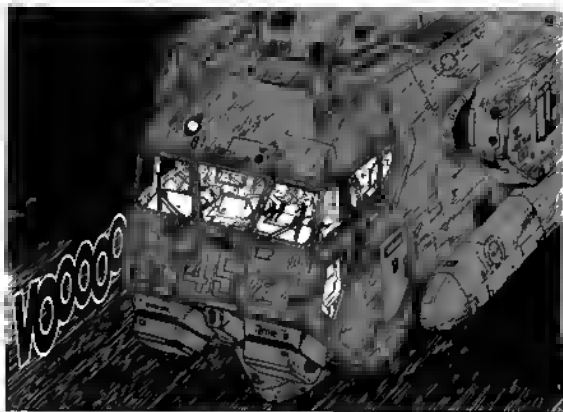


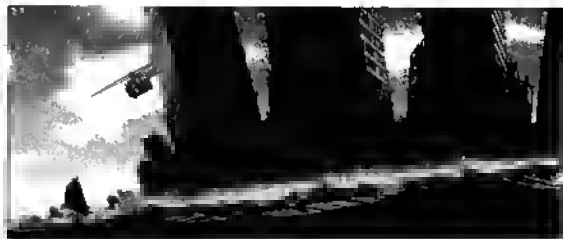
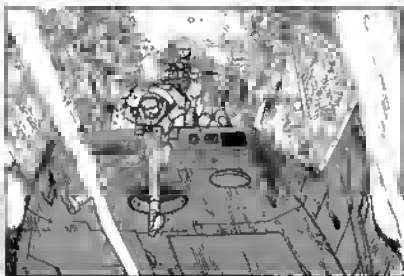




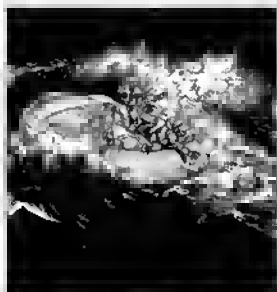




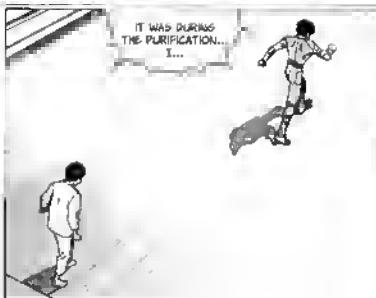


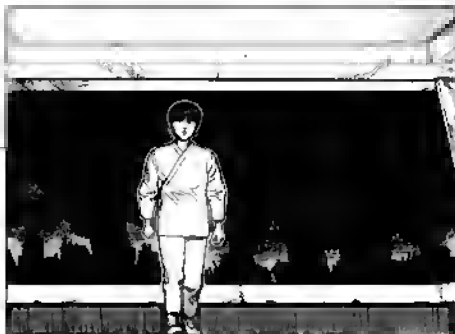








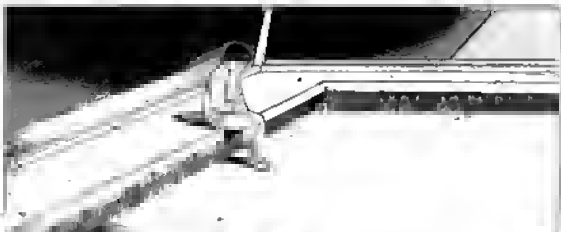


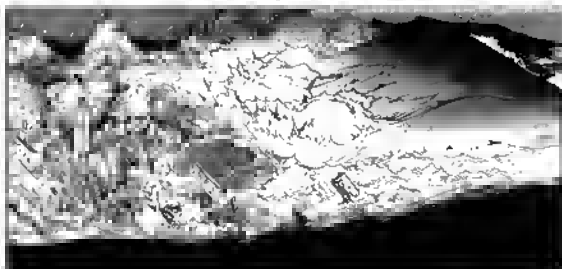


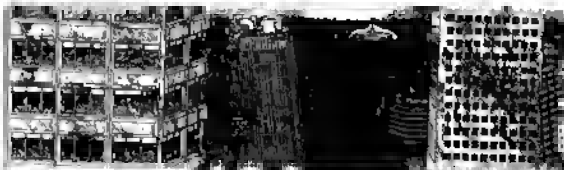
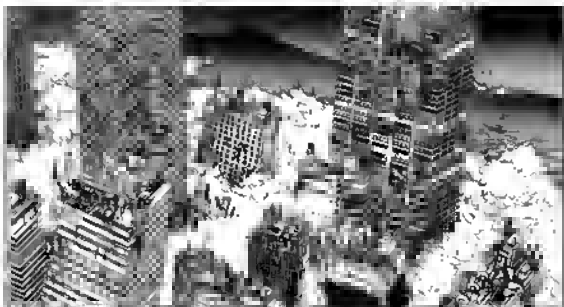










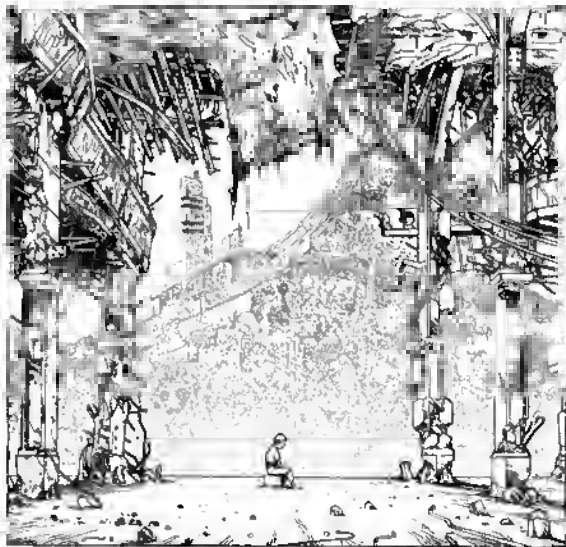






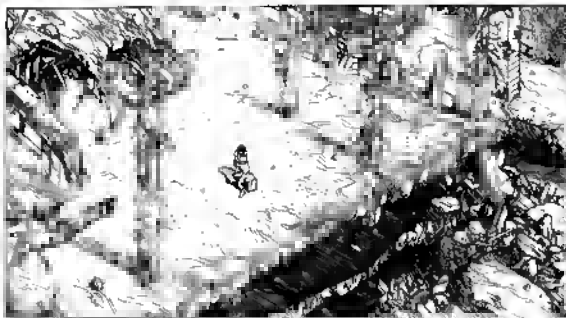


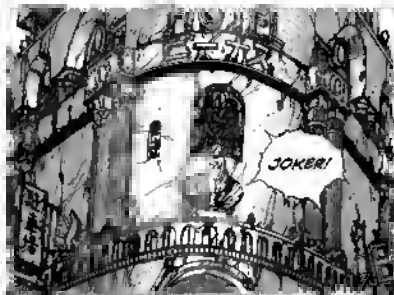








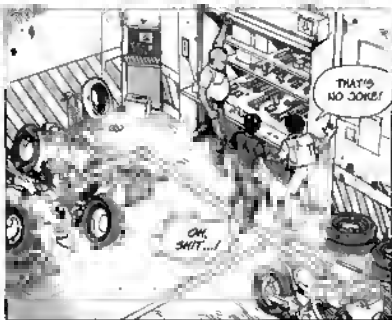
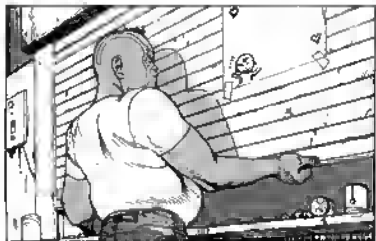


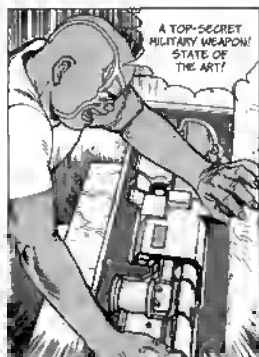






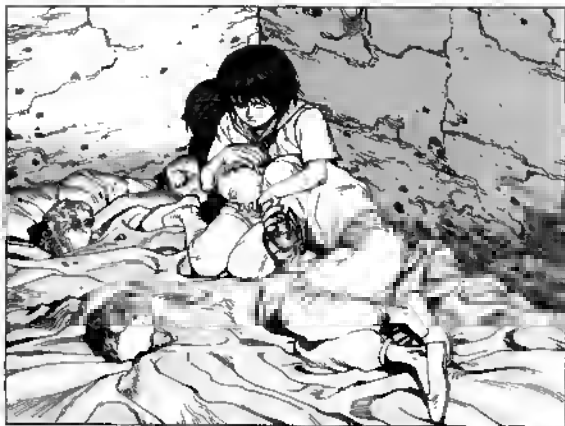


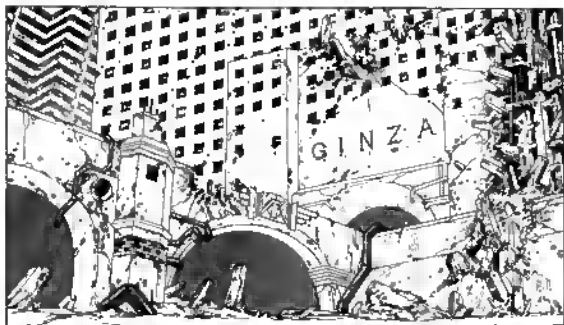






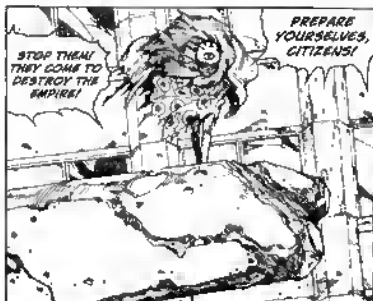












STOP THEM!
THEY COME TO
DESTROY THE
EMPIRE!

PREPARE
YOURSELVES,
CITIZENS!



HE'S OUT OF
RANGE! USE
YOUR RIFLE!
FIRE!

TAKA
TAKOTA



HA HA HA
HA HAA!



WHAT THE--?!
THE BULLETS ARE
DEFLECTING?!



HA HA HA!
YOU ARE NOTHING!
MASTER TETSUO WILL
BE DISAPPOINTED
BY SUCH WEAK
OPPONENTS!

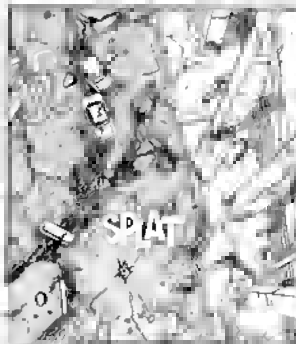


EH...?!



WHO...
WHO'S
THAT?! STAY
BACK...!





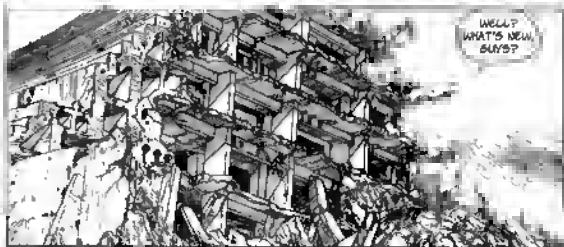
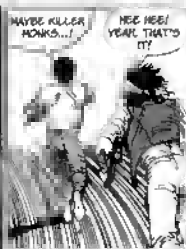




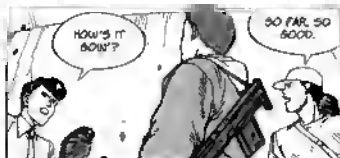
IT'S TRUE. I
SAW HIM HIT THE
GROUND.







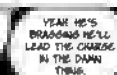


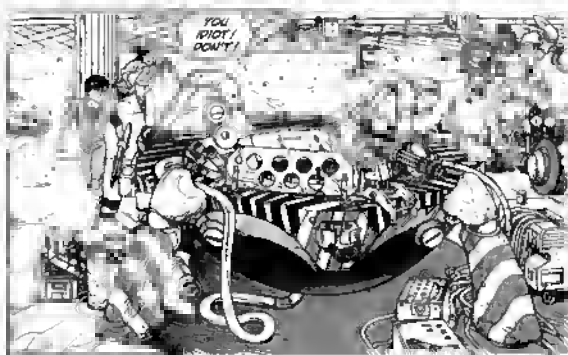




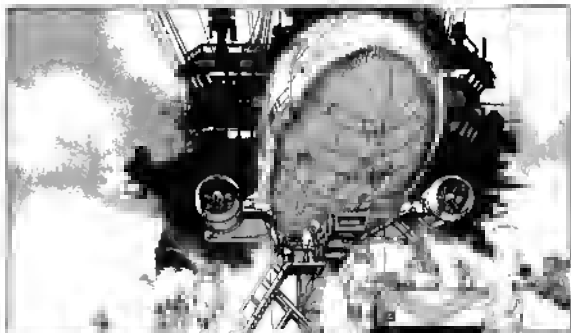














THREE MORE DAYS...TWO MORE DAYS...EXTENSION AFTER EXTENSION, AND NOW, TODAY, YOU STILL DON'T HAVE A CLUE WHEN YOU'LL CRACK IT?



WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS, LIEUTENANT?



YOU WERE STRUTTING AROUND SAYING YOU'D BREAK THE SECURITY LOCK ON SOC IN A WEEK!



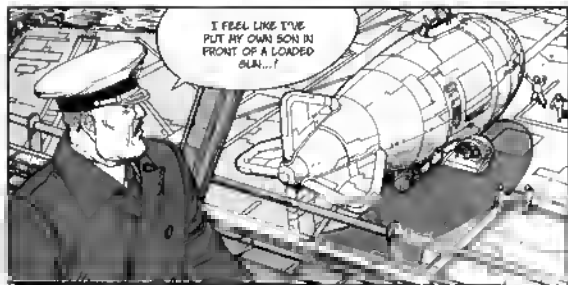
BUT SIR...THEY'VE NOTICED WE'RE HACKING IN! THEY'RE SWITCHING CODES LIKE CRAZY!



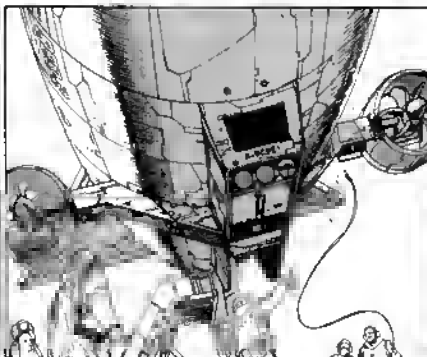
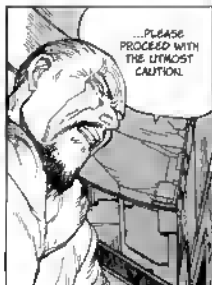
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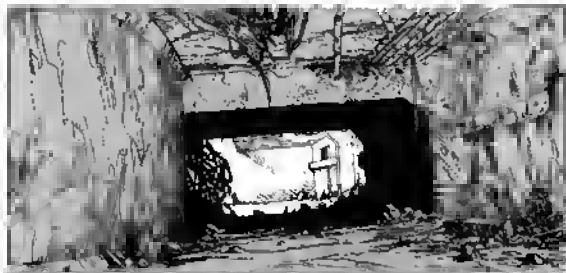


I FEEL LIKE I'VE PUT MY OWN SON IN FRONT OF A LOADED GUN...!

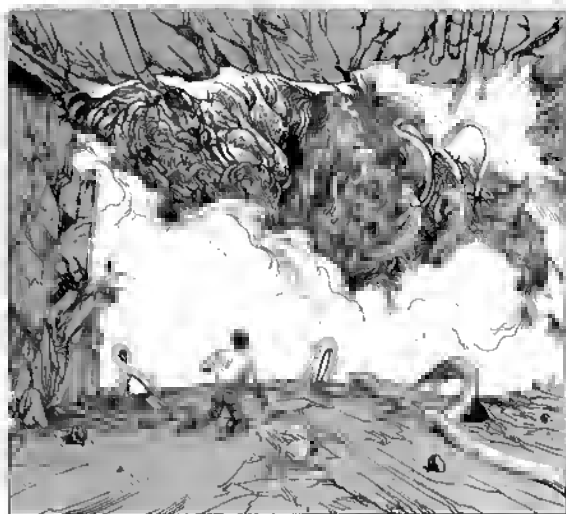




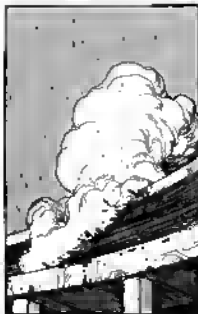












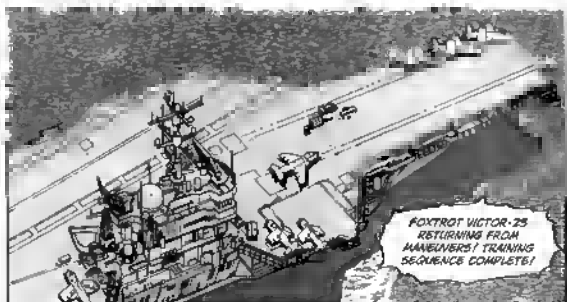


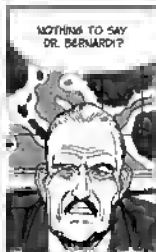


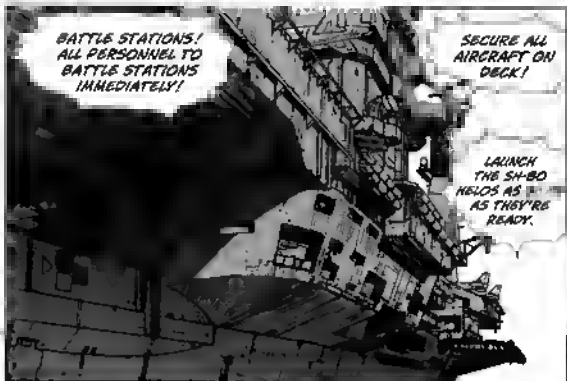












**BATTLE STATIONS!
ALL PERSONNEL TO
BATTLE STATIONS
IMMEDIATELY!**

**SECURE ALL
AIRCRAFT ON
DECK!**

**LAUNCH
THE SH-60
HELOS AS
AS THEY'RE
READY.**



**DAMAGE
REPORT! WHAT HIT
US! A MISSILE?
TORPEDO?!**



**CAN'T TELL, SIR. THERE'S NO
SMOKE VISIBLE FROM THE BRIDGE!**



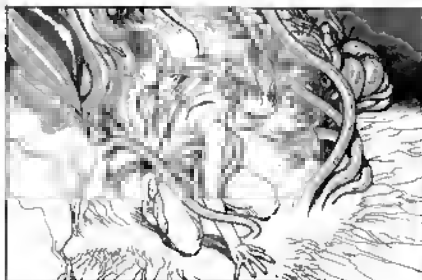
**THE
WHOLE
SHIP'S
TWISTING!**



**TH...THERE
IT IS AGAIN...!**

BRP



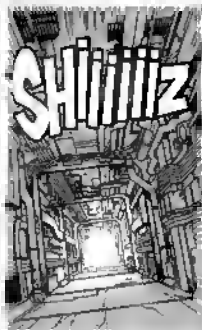


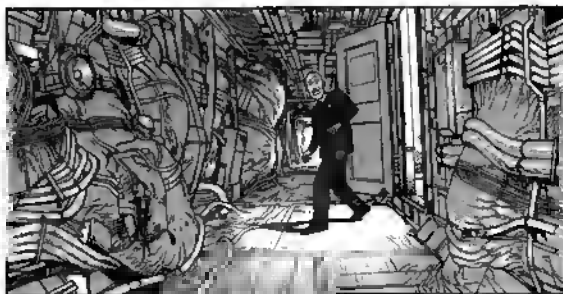


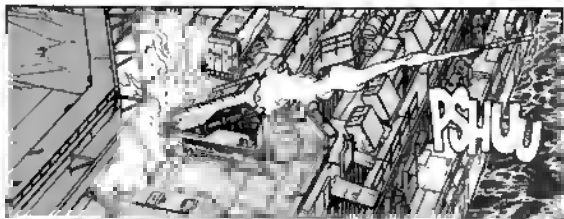
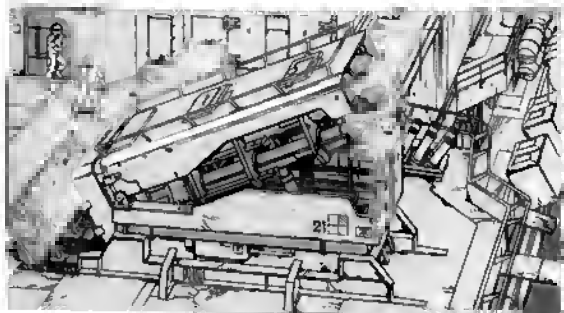


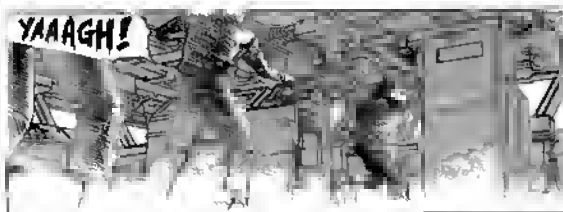
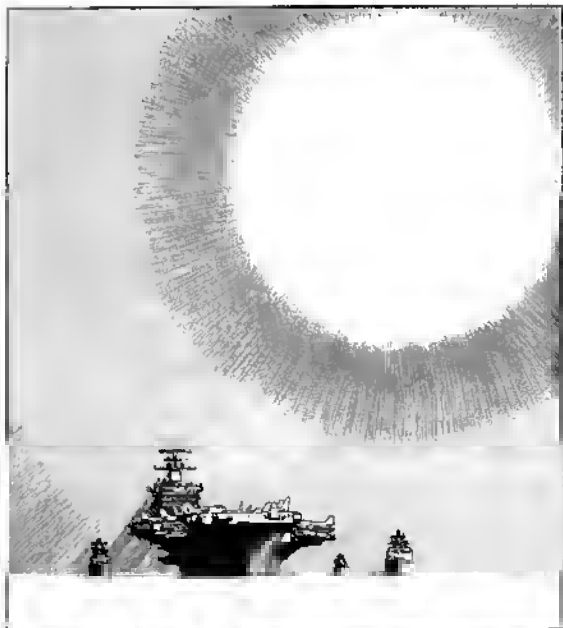






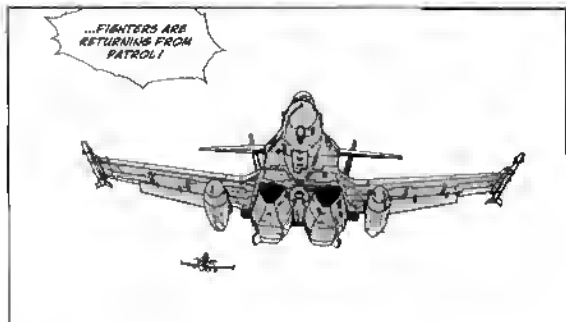


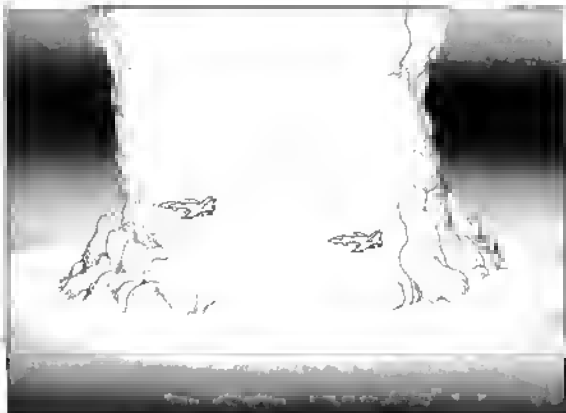












WHAT IN...?!



DELTA 2, DO YOU COPY?
I'M GETTING NO RESPONSE
FROM THE SHIP!

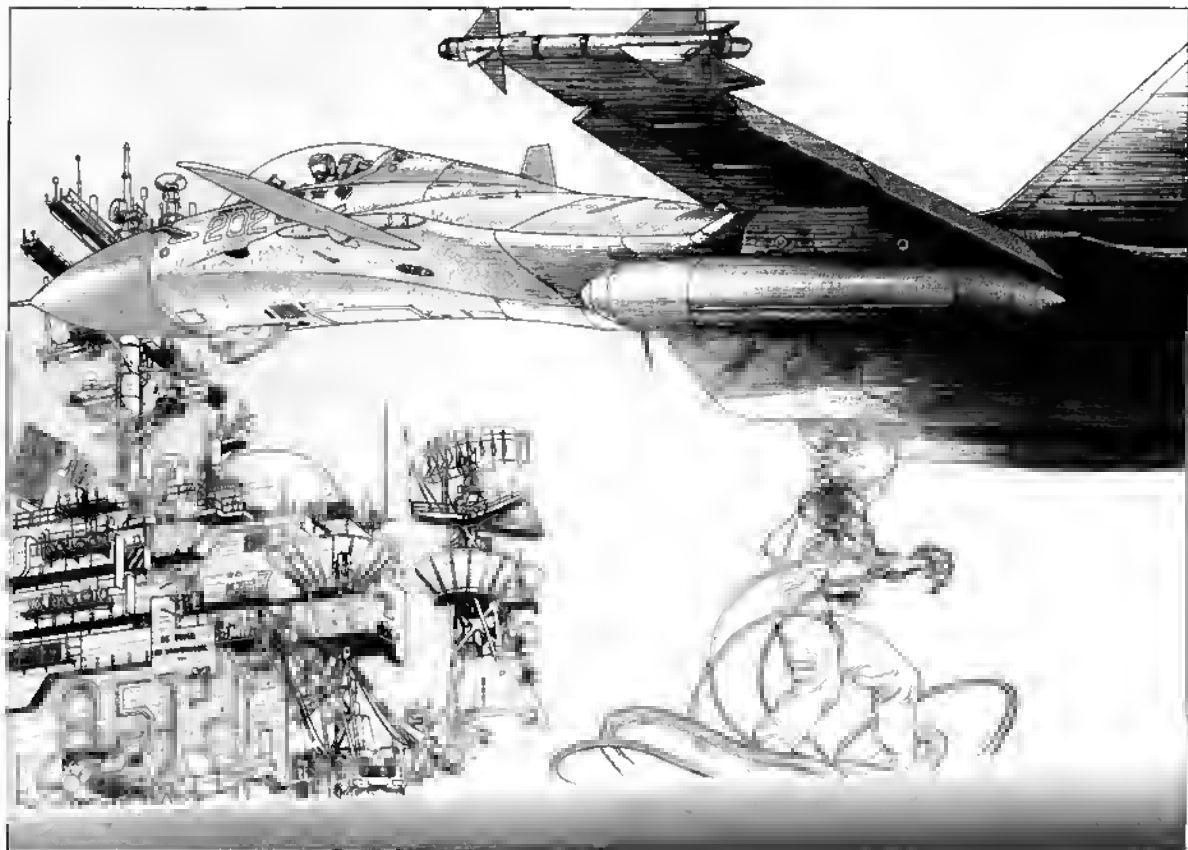


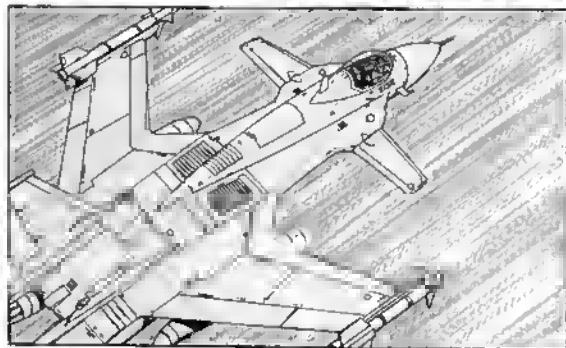
THERE'S NOTHING
ON EMERGENCY
FREQUENCIES!

WHAT THE HELL
HAPPENED?

BETTER
CONTACT OKINAWA
COMMAND!



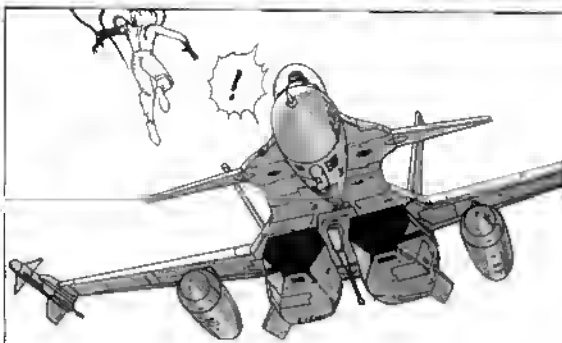
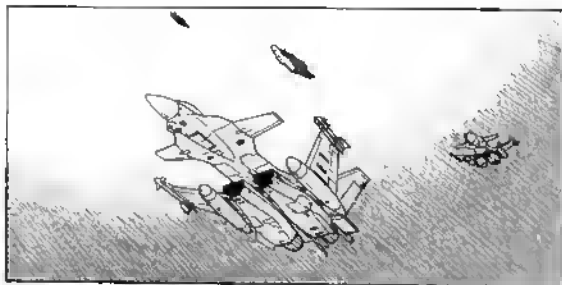


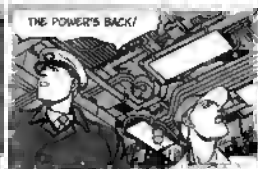
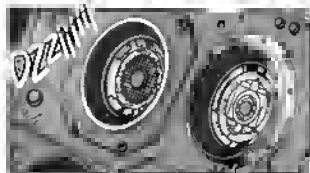
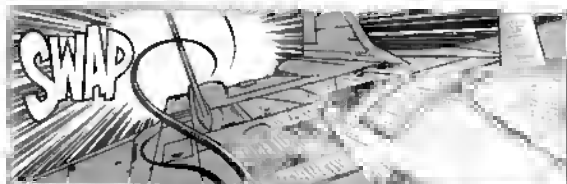


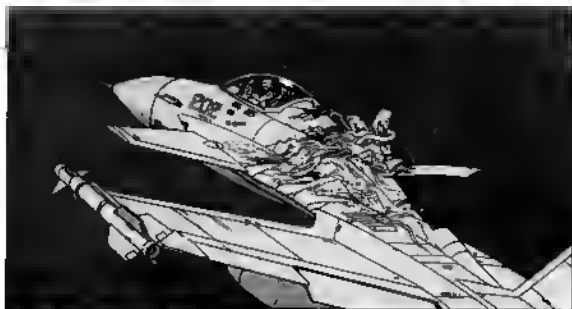


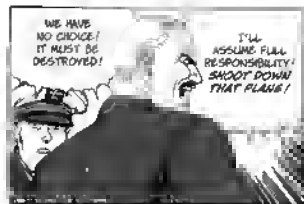
USE THE HAND
SEMAPHORE FOR
SIGNALING!

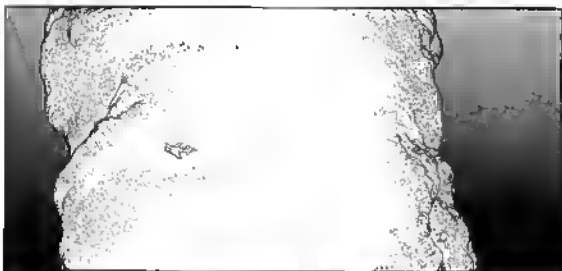












A HA HA
HA HA HA!

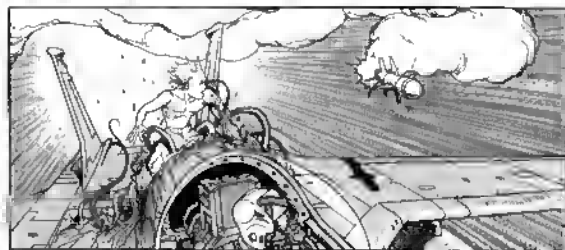
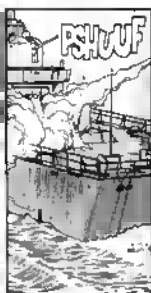


DAMN!
CONTROLS
WON'T
RESPOND!

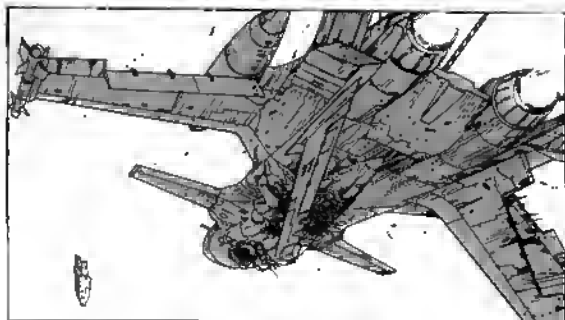


HMM?





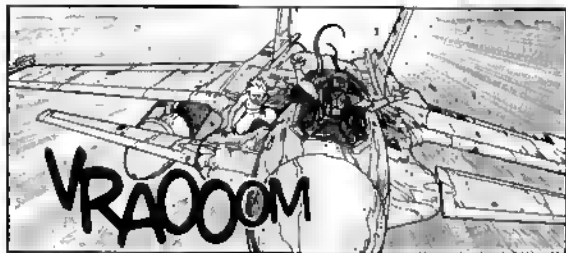
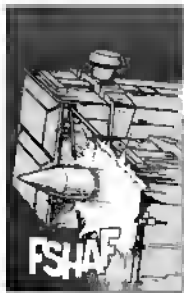


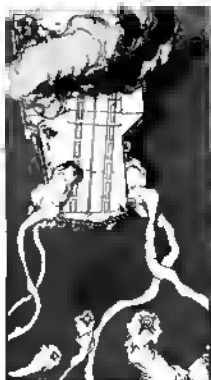


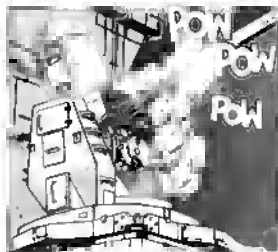








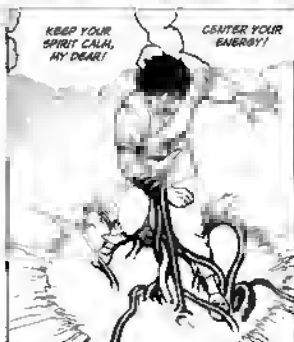


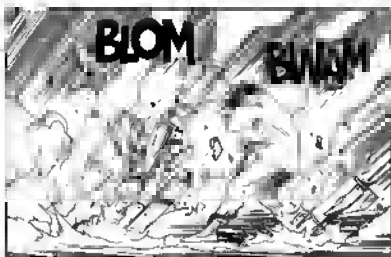


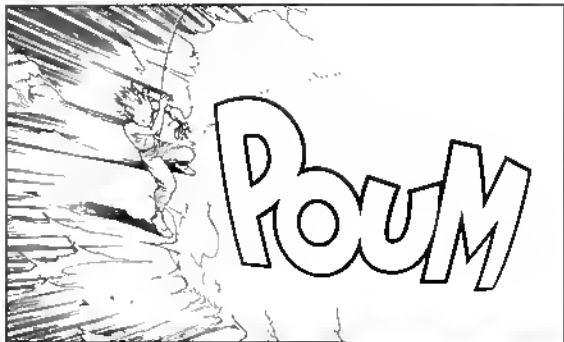


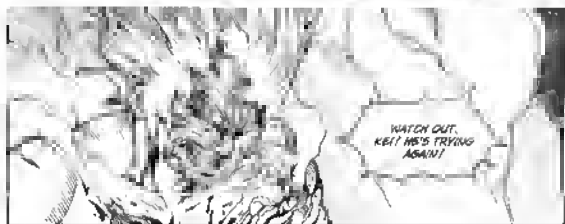
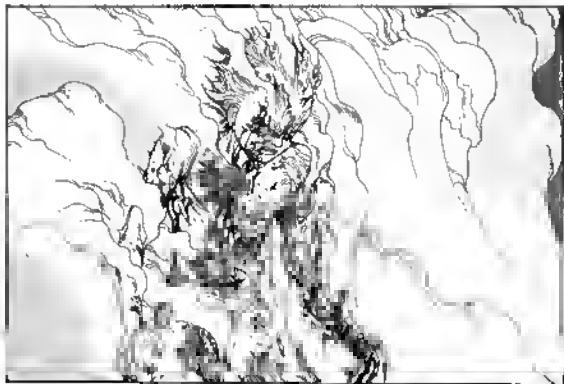




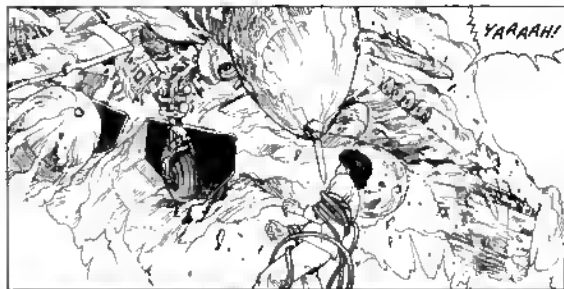










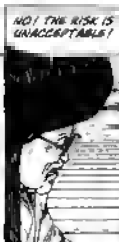


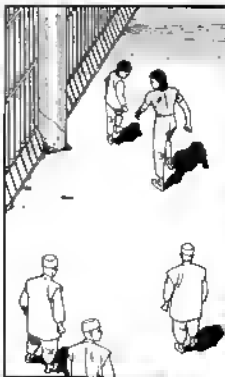








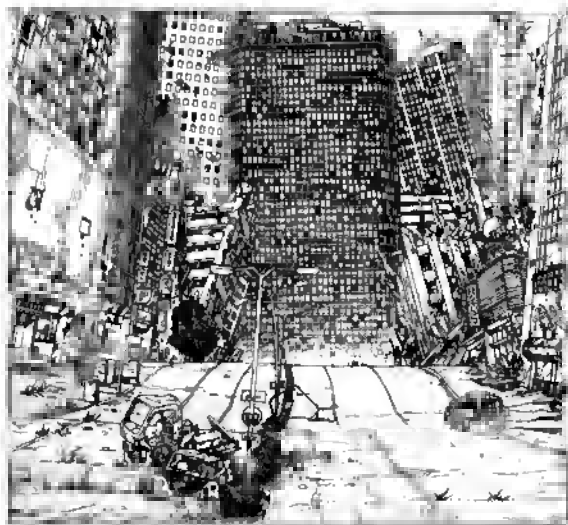


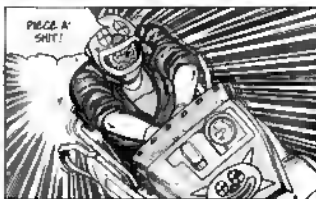
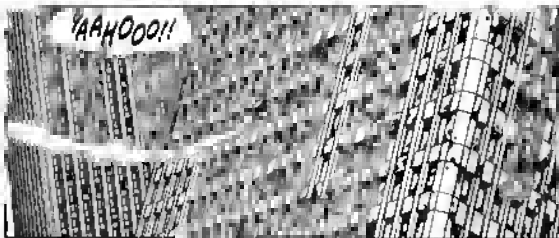


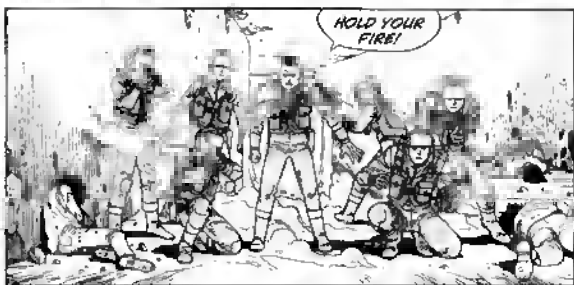


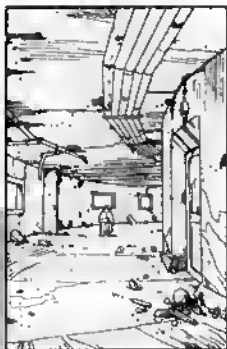








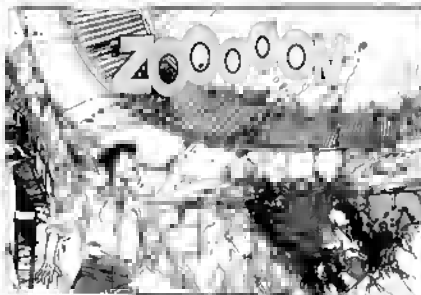






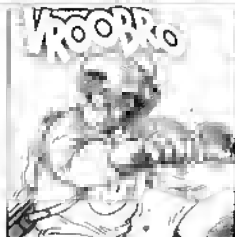
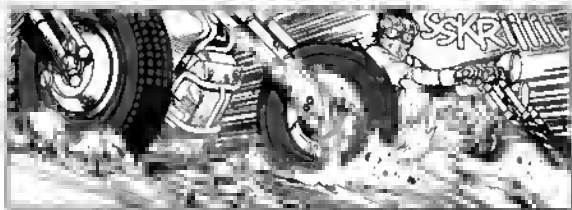


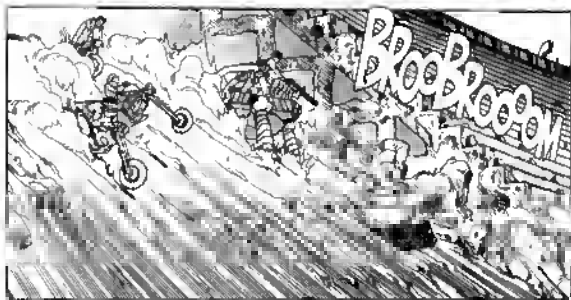














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